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Avoid unilateral action to alter Taiwan status quo, says India

New Delhi calls for de-escalation of tensions

KALLOL BHATTACHERJEE
NEW DELHI

India on Friday called for "restraint" over Taiwan and cautioned against "any unilateral action to change the status quo", while maintaining that its position on the 'One China' policy has been "well known and consistent" that doesn't need any reiteration.

At the weekly press briefing, Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said: "Like many other countries, India too is concerned at the recent developments. We urge the exercise of restraint, avoidance of unilateral actions to change status quo, de-escalation of tensions and efforts to maintain peace and stability in the region."

Dire straits

- U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi arrives in Taiwan on August 2 despite China's strong opposition
- China begins military drills on August 4 in six regions around Taiwan, practically enforcing a naval and air blockade in these regions
- Chinese vessels and jets cross the median line of the Taiwan Strait and its missiles fly over Taiwan
- In response, Taiwan launches its own military exercises after China wraps up its live drills

Peace at risk: China conducting a missile test near Taiwan. • REUTERS

India is concerned at the recent developments. We urge the exercise of restraint
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

India had maintained a studied silence on the situation as China held military drills near Taiwan after U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's visit to the island. China has halted the drills but announced that its "war preparation" would continue. As the crisis intensified, China stepped up global diplomacy and reached out to countries in southeast and south Asia, seeking support for its 'One China' policy. A spokesperson of the Embassy of China here earlier had said that 170 countries had supported the 'One China' policy and that China would not "renounce" the option of force in dealing with Taiwan.

Asked about India's position on the 'One China' policy, Mr. Bagchi said: "India's relevant policies are well known and consistent. They do not require reiteration."

The official comments from the Indian side also reflected New Delhi's disappointment over the "technical hold" that China placed on the listing for Jaish-e-Mohammed leader Abdul Rauf Asghar at the UN Security Council on August 11. Mr. Bagchi described the Chinese move as "unfortunate" and "most uncalled for".

India's strong position against terrorism found special resonance because of the latest terror attack in Rajouri that led to the death of four soldiers.

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'Will go to polls under Bommai's leadership'
BENGALURU
BJP national general secretary Arun Singh on Friday ruled out change of Chief Minister in Karnataka. He even declared that the BJP would go to the next Assembly polls under the leadership of Basavaraj Bommai.
KARNATAKA ▸ PAGE 12

US consulate in city: Demand may be revived
BENGALURU
A long-time demand for an US consulate in Bengaluru could again be revived with the US administration during the visit of Minister for External Affairs S. Jaishankar to the US next month as he promised "to bear in mind" the demand during his visit.
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Rushdie stabbed at New York event

One held; author undergoing surgery

ASSOCIATED PRESS
CHAUTAUQUA, N.Y.

Salman Rushdie, the author whose writing led to death threats from Iran in the 1980s, was stabbed in the neck multiple times on Friday by a man who rushed to the stage as he was about to give a lecture in western New York.

Mr. Rushdie was taken by helicopter to a hospital, the police said. Governor Kathy Hochul said he was alive and "getting the care he needs".

His agent, Andrew Wylie, said the writer was undergoing surgery, but he had no other details.

An *Associated Press* reporter witnessed a man confront Mr. Rushdie on stage at the Chautauqua Institution and begin punching or stabbing him 10 to 15 times as he was being introduced. The 75-year-old author was pushed or fell to the floor, and the man was arrested.

Salman Rushdie

A bloodied Mr. Rushdie was quickly surrounded by a small group of people who held up his legs, presumably to send more blood to his chest.

Mr. Rushdie has been a prominent spokesman for free expression and liberal causes.

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Retail inflation in India eases to 6.71% in July

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

India's retail inflation slipped below the 7% mark for the first time since April, easing to 6.71% in July, aided by a moderation in food prices inflation to 6.75%, the lowest in five months.

This is the seventh month in a row that the pace of price rise has been over the upper tolerance limit of 6% pursued by the central bank's monetary policy committee.

While inflation in edible oils, meat and fish, and vegetables relented in July, price rise in fruits and eggs accelerated, and cereals inflation hit a multi-year high of 6.9%. Rural inflation eased from 7.09% in June to 6.8% in July, while urban consumers faced 6.49% inflation, from 6.86% in June.

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Upper age limit for teaching posts relaxed by 2 years

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

The State Cabinet on Friday decided to relax the upper age limit by two years for all categories in the recruitment of teachers for government primary and high schools.

A State Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai decided to relax the age limit as the government was not able to recruit teachers owing to COVID-19 and lockdowns for the past two years because of which many candidates crossed the age limit for recruitment.

The age limit will be relaxed by amending the Karnataka Education Department's Service Rules, 2022.

Categories

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J.C. Madhuswamy, who briefed on Cabinet decisions, said the age limit had been relaxed for candidates who had cleared B.Ed. and the Teachers' Eligibility Test (TET).

Age of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and physically challenged should not exceed 47 years. In the case of 2A, 2B, 3A, and 3B categories, age should not exceed 45, while it was 42 years for candidates belonging to general category.

The Department of School Education and Literacy would fill about 15,000 vacancies in the State.

The Cabinet approved release of ₹199.40 crore to KSRTC for purchase of 650 buses for the Kalyana Karnataka region.

It also approved ₹336 crore for purchase of 840 (BA6 variety) buses for BMTC. A sum of ₹90 crore was approved for construction of "Abhivrdhi Bhavana" on the premises of the Karnataka Slum Development Board in Bengaluru.

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J&J set to wind up worldwide sale of talc-based baby powder

It will now make cornstarch-based product

ASSOCIATED PRESS
WASHINGTON

Johnson & Johnson is pulling baby powder containing talc worldwide next year after it did the same in the U.S. and Canada amid thousands of lawsuits claiming it caused cancer.

Talc will be replaced by cornstarch, the company said.

The company has faced litigation alleging its talcum powder caused users to develop ovarian cancer, through use for feminine hygiene, or mesothelioma, a cancer that strikes the lungs and other organs.

J&J insists, and the overwhelming majority of medical research on talc indicates, that the talc baby powder is safe and doesn't cause cancer.

However, demand for the company's baby powder fell off, and J&J removed the talc-based product in most of North America in 2020. The company did so after it saw demand drop due to "misleading talc litigation advertising that caused global confusion and unfounded concern" about product safety, a company spokeswoman said.

J&J said the change announced late Thursday will simplify its product selection and meet evolving global trends. Last October, J&J said a subsidiary it created to manage talc litigation claims had filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

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A brave leap forward

India's long jumpers are beginning to find their feet on the world stage. Sreeshankar's historic silver and the consistent Muhammed Anees' fifth place at the Commonwealth Games are the latest signs of encouragement. It's now vital the athletes are not let down by the system

STAN RAYAN

Around this time last year, M. Sreeshankar and his dad S. Murali were down, dejected and very lonely. Suffering from muscle imbalance issues, long jumper Sreeshankar had failed to qualify for the final at the Tokyo Olympics. His nightmare began there.

With the youngster's performance slipping from the National record high of 8.26m at the Federation Cup in Patiala in March 2021 to 7.74m three months later, the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) had told Murali – also his son's coach – to give an assurance that Sreeshankar would reproduce the qualification standard in Tokyo and that he would take full responsibility for it.

When Sreeshankar's performance fell further in Tokyo (7.69m), the AFI was quick to 'sack' Murali. It said his coaching was unscientific.

But those hard days taught Sreeshankar and his dad some very crucial lessons. It brought the father and son a lot closer, and the youngster became mentally stronger too.

He continued training with his dad near his home in Palakkad and resolved to return to the national camp only after crossing 8.30m. Sreeshankar kept his word and produced a massive 8.36m, which broke his own National record, at the Federation Cup at Malappuram in April. And suddenly, life changed.

World class

That jump carried him to the No. 2 spot in this year's world list, a rung he now shares with Greece's Olympic champion Miltiadis Tentoglou and China's World champion Jianan Wang.

Sreeshankar also qualified for the final at the World Championships, the first Indian to do so, and finished seventh. And recently in Birmingham, he became the first Indian to win the men's long jump silver at the Commonwealth Games with 8.08m, a distance achieved by the gold medallist too.

"Tokyo was certainly on my mind," said Sreeshankar after his Birmingham silver, his first major medal.

"I've had a lot of setbacks previously also. In Oregon [recent Worlds], as well as in Belgrade [Indoor Worlds in March], I was seventh. I just wanted to get onto the podium, to get a fresh start. I'm happy that I was able to get it."

> We are competing with the best guys [at Diamond League events], we need that. The more we get [such meets], the better we will be
>
> SREESHANKAR

Sreeshankar's star is rising and Murali's is too.

With no coach being sent with the three triple jumpers and the lone high jumper, Tejaswin Shankar, Murali was seen guiding them at the Commonwealth Games. Waving his hands and pointing here and there from the stands, he appeared like the conductor of an orchestra as he offered crucial tips during the finals.

And the results were excellent. The Indian athletics team finished with eight medals and four of them, including the lone gold, came from the jumpers, with triple jumpers Eldhose Paul and Abdulla Aboobacker providing the country's first-ever gold-silver show while high jumper Shankar won a bronze.

Like the triple jump, the long jump also saw three Indian men qualifying for the Worlds. All three should have been in Birmingham, but the AFI stopped Jeswin Aldrin from going to the Commonwealth Games as he could not repeat the big jumps, made earlier in the Malappuram Federation Cup, at the Inter-State Nationals in Chennai, the federation's main qualifier.

It is now very clear that long jump in India is in its best phase ever. Ample proof of that is the very consistent Muhammed Anees who finished fifth in Birmingham with 7.97m to add to Sreeshankar's silver. One wonders what the scene would have been had Aldrin travelled to the Commonwealth Games as well.

Control issue

Incidentally, Aldrin – according to sources in JSW Sports, which supports and trains him at the Inspire Institute of Sports at Ballari – has been working on his speed and trying to get faster, so there is a control issue and that could have been the reason for the many fouls that pulled him down in recent competitions.

For years, Anju Bobby George has been saying that the horizontal jumps, especially the long jump, offered the best potential for India to win medals at the majors.

Anju had also shown the way with her 2003 Paris Worlds bronze – Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra, who won the javelin throw silver recently in Oregon, is India's only other World Championships medallist – and now that she is a senior vice-president in the AFI, the jumps have somebody talking for them in the meetings that matter.

"Am really happy that the horizontal jumps are doing very well, even in international competitions they are reproducing their best. And now, we have a young bunch of athletes in the long and triple jumps. And Sreeshankar has the best potential and chances of doing well at the majors," said the former Asian Games champion, also the country's first woman to win a Commonwealth Games medal in athletics (bronze, Manchester 2002).

"Earlier, our athletes just went, showed their faces and returned from the majors. Now, they have started performing and fighting with the world. The fear factor has gone from our athletes, the mental block is no longer there. Even if we are not winning medals, we are actually fighting. And after the Olympic gold, we got a Worlds silver [Chopra]."

So, what could be the reason for this new confidence?

"Now, the world is open to everybody, nobody can hide anything. Our athletes can watch videos of the top stars, watch them perform in big stadiums at the majors, that way they also sort of get close to the competitions. And they can see the celebrations at home when medals are won. That keeps motivating athletes," said Anju.

Getting comfortable

Not just that, getting into the circuit helps athletes feel at home while competing with the big stars.

'Braaaaavoo,' was Tentoglou's coach Georgi Pomashki's first word when he met Sreeshankar in Monaco during the Diamond League.

"We are competing with the best guys here, we need that. The more we get [such meets], the better we will be," said Sreeshankar from Monaco.

Anju fully agrees with that.

"They need more competition exposure. But they should have a base in Europe or America where they can train for one or two months. It should be a training-cum-competition trip," said Anju, still the National record holder.

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> ANJU BOBBY GEORGE, Worlds bronze medallist

"The athletes and coaches should together plan their preparations. We can't always look up to the AFI, it is not the federation's job to find competitions for athletes.

"Athletes and coaches have to decide on their training venues and competitions according to their priorities. They have to decide which competition they are getting ready for and how their preparations should be. It is their duty to make a calendar and then approach the AFI and the ministry to get it approved."

With athletes getting bolder and producing results in the long jump, one of the priority events for the AFI, the federation should also ensure that they get more opportunities to compete at the majors. There is no point in forcing an athlete to repeat a qualifying performance in meets held just before the majors.

Wang's performance at the recent Worlds should offer some valuable lessons. The Chinese long jumper competed in just one event, where he jumped 7.67m, prior to the Oregon Worlds. But he came up with a last round of 8.36m to shock Tentoglou and grab the gold.

Who knows, there could be somebody like that in India too.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	PLAYER	AGE	POINTS	EVENTS
1	Daniil Medvedev	26	7,875	19
2	Alexander Zverev	25	6,760	18
3	Rafael Nadal	36	5,620	8
4	Carlos Alcaraz	19	5,035	17
5	Stefanos Tsitsipas	23	5,000	22
6	Novak Djokovic	35	4,770	11
7	Casper Ruud	23	4,685	23
8	Andrey Rublev	24	3,710	24
9	Felix Auger-Aliassime	21	3,490	24
10	Hubert Hurkacz	25	3,015	22
11	Cameron Norrie	26	2,985	24
12	Jannik Sinner	20	2,895	21
13	Taylor Fritz	24	2,860	23
14	Matteo Berrettini	26	2,430	17
15	Diego Schwartzman	29	2,245	24

Top Indians ▸

Ramkumar Ramanathan
Rank 238 ▼ 7 spots

Prajnesh Gunneswaran
Rank 337 ▼ 10 spots

WTA Women's Top 15

#	PLAYER	AGE	POINTS	EVENTS
1	Iga Swiatek	21	8,396	16
2	Anett Kontaveit	26	4,476	21
3	Paula Badosa	24	4,190	25
4	Maria Sakkari	27	4,190	21
5	Ons Jabeur	27	4,010	19
6	Aryna Sabalenka	24	3,366	20
7	Jessica Pegula	28	3,116	17
8	Garbine Muguruza	28	2,886	19
9	Daria Kasatkina	25	2,800	21
10	Emma Raducanu	19	2,772	22
11	Coco Gauff	18	2,746	17
12	Belinda Bencic	25	2,635	19
13	Leylah Fernandez	19	2,534	18
14	Karolina Pliskova	30	2,532	17
15	Simona Halep	30	2,415	19

Top Indians ▸

Ankita Raina
Rank 330 ▲ 3 spots

Karman Thandi
Rank 363 ▲ 19 spots

F1 Drivers' standings

#	DRIVER	TEAM	POINTS	WINS
1	Max Verstappen	Red Bull Racing	258	8
2	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	178	3
3	Sergio Perez	Red Bull Racing	173	1
4	George Russell	Mercedes	158	0
5	Carlos Sainz	Ferrari	156	1
6	Lewis Hamilton	Mercedes	146	0
7	Lando Norris	McLaren	76	0
8	Esteban Ocon	Alpine	58	0
9	Valtteri Bottas	Alfa Romeo	46	0
10	Fernando Alonso	Alpine	41	0
11	Kevin Magnussen	Haas	22	0
12	Daniel Ricciardo	McLaren	19	0
13	Pierre Gasly	AlphaTauri	16	0
14	Sebastian Vettel	Aston Martin	16	0
15	Mick Schumacher	Haas	12	0
16	Yuki Tsunoda	AlphaTauri	11	0
17	Zhou Guanyu	Alfa Romeo	5	0
18	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	4	0
19	Alex Albon	Williams	3	0
20	Nicholas Latifi	Williams	0	0
21	Nico Hulkenberg	Aston Martin	0	0

Max Verstappen

Charles Leclerc

F1 Constructors' standings

POS	TEAM	POINTS	WINS	PODIUMS
1	Red Bull	431	9	16
2	Ferrari	334	4	11
3	Mercedes	304	0	11
4	Alpine	99	0	0
5	Mclaren	95	0	1
6	Alfa Romeo	51	0	0
7	Haas	34	0	0
8	AlphaTauri	27	0	0
9	Aston Martin	20	0	0
10	Williams	3	0	0

Badminton Men's ranking

#	PLAYER	POINTS	EVENTS
1	Viktor Axelsen	121,606	38
2	Kento Momota	112,704	27
3	Anders Antonsen	98,300	35
4	Chou Tien Chen	93,776	40
5	Lee Zii Jia	91,578	41
6	Anthony Sinisuka Ginting	89,279	36
7	Jonatan Christie	82,812	36
8	Chen Long	80,090	15
9	Loh Kean Yew	79,594	31
10	Lakshya Sen	75,874	37
11	Ng Ka Long Angus	72,007	36
12	Rasmus Gemke	70,551	35
13	K. Srikanth	68,731	41
14	Kanta Tsuneyama	66,838	29
15	Lee Cheuk Yiu	66,061	35

Top Indians ▸

Lakshya Sen
Rank 10

K. Srikanth
Rank 13

Badminton Women's ranking

#	PLAYER	POINTS	EVENTS
1	Akane Yamaguchi	111,013	35
2	Tai Tzu Ying	110,845	26
3	An Se Young	104,403	44
4	Chen Yu Fei	103,606	28
5	Carolina Marin	100,380	24
6	Nozomi Okuhara	95,960	25
7	P.V. Sindhu	95,518	41
8	Ratchanok Intanon	89,349	38
9	He Bing Jiao	81,064	31
10	Pornpawee Chochuwong	78,265	43
11	Wang Zhi Yi	75,238	29
12	Busanan Ongbamrungphan	70,294	48
13	Michelle Li	70,130	41
14	Sayaka Takahashi	66,573	30
15	Mia Blichfeldt	63,679	26

Top Indians ▸

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 7

Saina Nehwal
Rank 28

Test Batting

#	PLAYER	RATING	CAREER BEST
1	Joe Root	923	923
2	Marnus Labuschagne	885	936
3	Babar Azam	874	874
4	Steve Smith	848	947
5	Rishabh Pant	801	801
6	Kane Williamson	786	919
7	Usman Khawaja	766	779
8	Dimuth Karunaratne	746	782
9	Rohit Sharma	746	813
10	Jonny Bairstow	742	772

Test Bowling

#	PLAYER	RATING	CAREER BEST
1	Pat Cummins	891	914
2	R. Ashwin	842	904
3	Shaheen Afridi	836	836
4	Jasprit Bumrah	828	835
5	Kagiso Rabada	818	902
6	James Anderson	811	903
7	Kyle Jamieson	788	836
8	Kemar Roach	756	780
9	Neil Wagner	747	859
10	Mitchell Starc	739	806

ODI Batting

#	PLAYER	RATING	CAREER BEST
1	Babar Azam	892	898
2	Imam-ul-Haq	815	815
3	R. van der Dussen	789	796
4	Quinton de Kock	784	813
5	Virat Kohli	767	911
6	Rohit Sharma	763	885
7	Ross Taylor	744	841
8	David Warner	737	880
9	Jonny Bairstow	732	796
10	Aaron Finch	715	798

ODI Bowling

#	PLAYER	RATING	CAREER BEST
1	Trent Boult	697	770
2	Jasprit Bumrah	682	841
3	Shaheen Afridi	681	688
4	Josh Hazlewood	679	733
5	Mujeeb Ur Rahman	676	712
6	Mehedi Hasan	667	725
7	Matt Henry	663	691
8	Mohammad Nabi	657	657
9	Rashid Khan	651	806
10	Chris Woakes	640	711

T20I Batting

#	PLAYER	RATING	CAREER BEST
1	Babar Azam	818	896
2	Suryakumar Yadav	805	816
3	Mohammad Rizwan	794	798
4	Aiden Markram	792	796
5	Dawid Malan	731	915
6	Aaron Finch	716	900
7	Pathum Nissanka	661	689
8	Devon Conway	655	784
9	Nicholas Pooran	644	667
10	Martin Guptill	638	793

T20I Bowling

#	PLAYER	RATING	CAREER BEST
1	Josh Hazlewood	792	806
2	Tabraiz Shamsi	716	821
3	Rashid Khan	709	816
4	Adil Rashid	702	746
5	Adam Zampa	698	743
6	Akeal Hosein	674	681
7	Wanindu Hasaranga	668	797
8	Maheesh Theekshana	647	647
9	Bhuvneshwar Kumar	644	665
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> Throughout this time [when Pena was champion], I knew that I was a better fighter than Julianna. I was a better champion. I was a better person. She had her time, but now it's over. The Lioness is back

Amanda Nunes — both 'The Lioness' and the GOAT

The 34-year-old is the first fighter in UFC history to hold titles in two weight classes at the same time on two separate occasions. She achieved this feat by mauling Julianna Pena to exact revenge after being beaten by the American in their previous bout

ASHWIN ACHAL

Amanda Nunes had a point to prove in her rematch against Julianna Pena for the women's bantamweight title at UFC 277.

Seven months earlier, Nunes had suffered a stunning reversal at the hands of Pena. A rear naked choke in the second round saw Nunes, the overwhelming favourite, lose her bantamweight championship in one of the biggest upsets in UFC history.

At UFC 277, in front of a sell-out crowd at American Airlines Center in Dallas, Nunes got her revenge. Nunes dominated the fight from start to finish, battering her opponent with strikes and takedowns. A brave Pena managed to go the distance over five rounds, but it was Nunes who emerged as the clear winner in this highly anticipated rematch.

The Brazilian showcased her tactical acumen in the fight, surprising Pena by using a southpaw stance. Not a natural southpaw, Nunes had to work on the fly, but it was enough to throw Pena off her gameplan.

Nunes, also the women's featherweight champion, became the first person in UFC history, of any gender, to be crowned a double champ twice. Nunes, nicknamed 'The Lioness', underlined her status as the greatest female mixed martial artist of all time.

Even when Pena held the title, Nunes never doubted her own championship class. Her perfect display in the grudge fight was a reflection of her unshakeable self-belief. Speaking to ESPN MMA after reclaiming the belt, Nunes said, "Throughout this time [when Pena was champion], I knew that I was a better fighter than Julianna. I was a better champion. I was a better person. Everything... She had her time, but now it's over. The Lioness is back.

Proving a point

"I could have finished her [early], but I wanted to go five rounds. I wanted to show her that I'm better than her. I wanted to show the world the fighter that I am. I had many chances to finish her on the ground, but I wanted to prove to her that I can dominate her," the 34-year-old added.

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Nunes is clear about the legacy she intends to establish. "Let's accept that I'm the GOAT (greatest of all time). Let's accept that I make history. It's not something I've made up; I've proved it. I've helped women's MMA grow. I need to be respected more," she said.

Pena, on the other hand, admitted that she was thrown off course by Nunes switching to the southpaw stance. She was adamant that she now has the answers to the Nunes puzzle and called for a rematch. The American went so far as to say that Nunes would not even be able to touch her if they came together in the cage again.

"When someone has entirely revamped and completely switched their entire stance and their entire fighting style because of me, I take that as a compliment, you know? And I think that if you give me time to get ready for both stances of Nunes, she doesn't touch me next time. I'm just really hoping that she heals up and that she's able to get back in there before the end of the year because I'll absolutely be ready for that trilogy fight," Pena said at UFC on ESPN 40.

With honours even at 1-1, Pena has a good case to demand the trilogy. The manner of Nunes' lopsided victory in the second fight, however, makes one wonder if a third fight is required to establish who the better fighter is. Nunes, southpaw or otherwise, is well poised to outclass Pena once again.

Pena may have to wait for her chance, for there is another worthy opponent for Nunes in Valentina Shevchenko. Shevchenko has fought Nunes twice, with Nunes taking close wins in both encounters. The duo last met in 2017, which saw Nunes successfully defend the bantamweight championship via a split decision.

Shevchenko has since moved down to the flyweight category and racked up nine wins on the trot. This streak includes a clinical unanimous decision win over Polish star Joanna Jedrzejczyk for the title in December 2018.

The Shevchenko option

Shevchenko, a technically brilliant fighter, took to social media after UFC 277 to claim that Nunes had copied her stand-up game. Nunes laughed off the suggestion in the post-fight press conference, saying that Shevchenko was merely trying to gain some attention.

Nunes was not particularly impressed with Shevchenko's last fight, against Taila Santos earlier this year. Shevchenko took the split decision win, but many believed that Santos edged it.

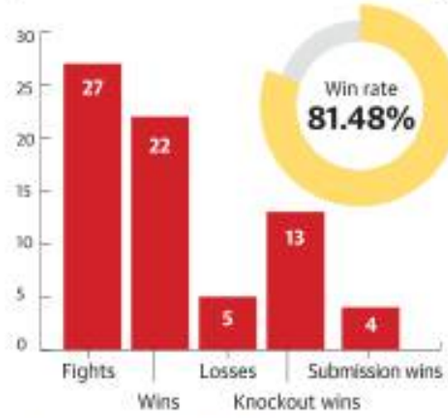
Nunes, however, is open to the idea of taking on Shevchenko for the third time. "Good. She's a champion too. That would be awesome," Nunes said.

Given that Nunes and Shevchenko compete in different weight categories, the fight could be made at a catchweight of 130 pounds. This would mean that Nunes (135 pounds) will have to drop weight, while Shevchenko (125 pounds) will move up the scales.

The idea gained support from UFC president Dana White as well. "That's not a bad idea. Normally I would say, 'Come on, man.' But that's not a bad idea really, when you think about it. I'm not saying yes, I'm just saying it's not a bad idea," White said after UFC 277.

Having conquered all before her, Nunes could choose to ride off into the sunset. This is, however, unlikely to happen, given that she has plenty left in the tank. There are more chapters left to be written in Nunes' epic story.

THE NUNES BREAKDOWN



GAME THEORY

The best strike bowlers in Test cricket

A look at which bowlers (min.: 100 Test wickets) have recorded the fewest balls per wicket (strike-rate):

SEAMERS

There are two active pacers, Kagiso Rabada and Pat Cummins, in the top 10, which is headed by George Lohmann, a medium-pacer who played in the late 19th century. India's best, Jasprit Bumrah, is just outside the list at No. 11, with a strike-rate of 48.9

Bowler	Team	Span	Tests	Innings	Wickets	Strike-rate
George Lohmann	England	1886-1896	18	36	112	**34.1**
Kagiso Rabada	SA	2015-2022	52	95	243	**40.7**
Sydney Barnes	England	1901-1914	27	50	189	**41.6**
Dale Steyn	SA	2004-2019	93	171	439	**42.3**
Waqar Younis	Pakistan	1989-2003	87	154	373	**43.4**
Shoaib Akhtar	Pakistan	1997-2007	46	82	178	**45.7**
Malcolm Marshall	WI	1978-1991	81	151	376	**46.7**
Allan Donald	SA	1992-2002	72	129	330	**47.0**
Pat Cummins	Australia	2011-2022	43	81	199	**47.2**
Mohammad Asif	Pakistan	2005-2010	23	44	106	**48.7**

SPINNERS

Again, the list is headed by a bowler who finished playing Test cricket before the 1900s: left-arm orthodox spinner Johnny Briggs. There are three current bowlers in the top 10, R. Ashwin, Yasir Shah and Keshav Maharaj

Bowler	Team	Span	Tests	Innings	Wickets	Strike-rate
Johnny Briggs	England	1884-1899	33	49	118	**45.1**
Colin Blythe	England	1901-1910	19	37	100	**45.4**
Bobby Peel	England	1884-1896	20	35	101	**51.6**
R. Ashwin	India	2011-2022	86	162	442	**52.2**
Stuart MacGill	Australia	1998-2008	44	85	208	**54.0**
M. Muralitharan	SL/ICC	1992-2010	133	230	800	**55.0**
Hugh Trumble	Australia	1890-1904	32	57	141	**57.4**
Shane Warne	Australia	1992-2007	145	273	708	**57.4**
Yasir Shah	Pakistan	2014-2022	48	89	244	**58.4**
Keshav Maharaj	SA	2016-2022	42	76	150	**58.7**

SOURCE: ESPN CRICINFO

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Pushing the limits

Athletes will themselves through the swim leg of the Norseman Xtreme Triathlon in Eidfjord, Norway, last week.

The event is so insane that it actually triggered a scientific study.

The water temperature at Eidfjord during the 2015 event was reportedly measured at 10 degrees Celsius, forcing organisers to halve the swim leg to 1.9km.

Following the race, the safety crew decided to commission a research project studying the effect of cold water on the human body, including how it affects lung and heart function.

After the swim leg, which starts at the loading bay of a car ferry, through the Hardanger fjord and on to Eidfjord, the competitors embark on a 180km cycle ride, the first 40km of which is uphill.

As if that weren't enough, they then run a full marathon (42.2km), which includes another climb of about 17km up the local mountain, Gaustatoppen.

The athletes have personal back-up crews that follow them in cars to provide them with food, drink and medical aid; given the risks of fatigue, especially on the final climb, the back-up crews play a significant role.

Those who complete the race receive a black finishers' top and are anointed 'Norsemen'.

BMTC bus runs over woman

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

A 40-year-old woman riding pillion was killed on the spot when she came under the wheels of a BMTC bus on Magadi Road on Thursday. The driver was booked for rash and negligent driving. The bus brushed the handlebar of the scooter, causing both riders to fall. The deceased has been identified as Sharada K.R., a homemaker and resident of Mahalakshmi Layout.

According to the police, the accident occurred around 11.45 a.m. in front of the Royal Mart on Magadi Main Road that falls under the Byadrahalli police station limits. The victim was wearing a half-helmet, but once she fell, it came off. Her nephew Sukh Dev, who was riding the scooter also fell, sustaining injuries to his hand and leg, the police said.

Sukh Dev and Sharada were on the way from their house in Mahalakshmi Layout towards Kachohalli where Sharada ran a fancy store. When the scooter reached in front of Royal Mart near college bus stop on Magadi Main Road, a BMTC bus, in a bid to overtake the scooter, brushed against its handlebar. Sukh Dev lost control and fell to the right. Sharada came under the rear wheel of the bus and was crushed to death.

Sukh Dev informed Sharada's husband Khemaram Choudhary . Sharada's body was shifted to Victoria Hospital for postmortem.

Based on her husband's complaint, the Byadrahalli police have registered a case booking the driver of the bus for accidental death due to rash and negligent driving and investigations are under way. "There were no potholes or any road construction work happening nearby and it was due to the BMTC bus driver's reckless and rash driving that the accident occurred," the police said.

Tamil Nadu-based businessman booked for raping woman

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

The Cubbon Park police are on the lookout for a Tamil Nadu-based businessman who allegedly raped a 35-year-old software engineer after inviting her to a hotel room in the Central Business District on the pretext of business last Saturday.

According to the complaint filed by the victim, the accused was known to her for many years. She met him on August 6 in a hotel.

The woman wanted to develop an application and had approached the accused, a businessman in Tamil Nadu, to invest in her new venture. When she met in the hotel room, he took advantage of the situation and allegedly raped her.

In shock

The woman was in shock and after recovering, she filed a complaint with the police on August 10, four days after the alleged incident took place. The police have subjected her to a medical test and a special team has been formed to nab the accused, who is suspected to be hiding in Tamil Nadu.

A team of police has been dispatched to Tamil Nadu to track down the accused, who is presently on the run.

Efforts are on to catch the accused for further investigations, R. Srinivas Gowda, DCP, Central Division, said.

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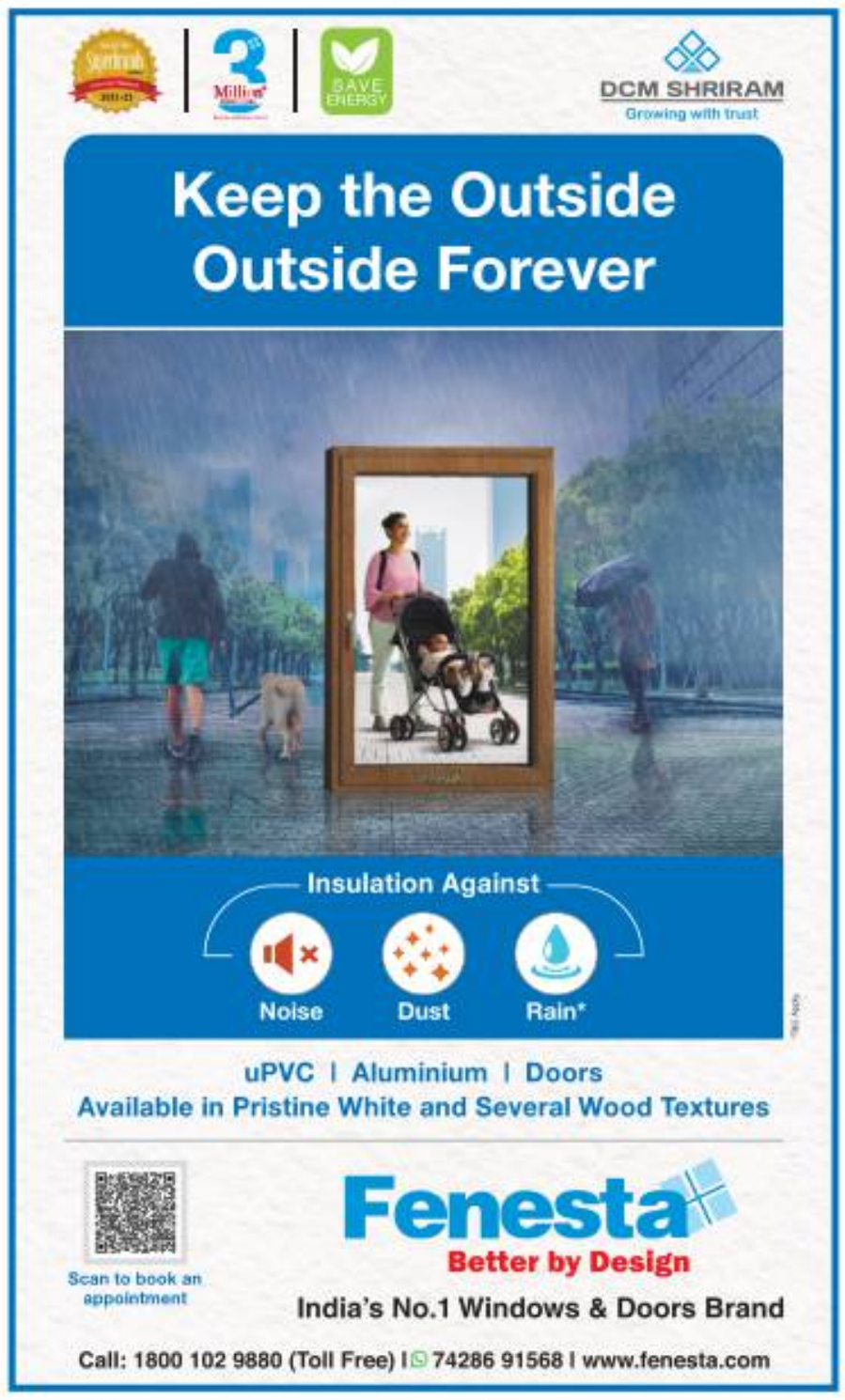

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Six police officers from State selected for award

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

Superintendent of Police (Lokayukta) Lakshmi Ganesh K. is among six officials from the State selected for the prestigious Union Home Minister's medal for excellence in investigation for the current year.

The other officers include Shankar K Marihal , SP, HESCOM, Hubballi Division, Venkatappa Nayaka, Dy.SP, Sindhanoor sub division, Raichur district, M.R. Gowtham, Dy.SP, Karnataka Lokayukta, Ramanagaram district, Shankaragouda Patil, Dy.SP, CID, Kalaburagi, and H. Gurubasavaraj, Inspector, Basavanagar station, Davanagere . These officials are among the 151 officers selected for the award across the country.

Tiranga Yatra

A woman feeding her child, who arrived early for the Tiranga Yatra at Sir M. Visvesvaraya BBMP Government High School, in Chamarajpet, on Friday. •K. MURALI KUMAR

New BBMP survey to identify potholes created after rains

Of 17,585 potholes identified from May to July, 16,739 have been repaired: BBMP

STAFF REPORTER
BENGALURU

Complaints of the poor condition of the city's roads have been pouring in from citizens, prompting the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to start a survey to identify fresh potholes created after recent rains in Bengaluru.

In Bengaluru, 17,585 potholes have been identified from May to July. Of these, 16,739 potholes have been repaired by the palike said Prahalad, Chief Engineer (Road and Infrastructure), BBMP. "There are 856 potholes to be filled. After the rain in the last few days, new potholes have been created in various parts of the city. We will conduct another fresh survey to identify the potholes and fill it up."

He also said that the civic body has decided to fix potholes on roads with cold mix asphalt since preparing hot mix is not possible now due to the rainy weather.

"Scientifically, during rains, fixing potholes using hot mix is not possible since it requires jelly and asphalt which are mixed and heated to 150 degrees Celsius and maintained at 100 degrees Celsius. Cold mix asphalt is easy to prepare, but does not last long. However, it is widely used during the rainy season," another BBMP official said.

A pothole on Avenue Road in Bengaluru. •SUDHAKARA JAIN

Earlier, during the various civic agency coordination meetings, Tushar Giri Nath, Chief Civic Commissioner, had directed the BBMP Road Department officials to use this solution.

Fix My Street app

The civic body had conducted a survey before and marked the potholes identified on the Fix My Street app developed by BBMP to identify potholes. Now, officials will take the help of the app again wherein zonal level civic officials will map the potholes under their jurisdiction on the app along with photographs of the potholes.

"The BBMP officials concerned have to inspect the roads, take photographs, measure the potholes and then upload it on the app," an official explained.

10-year-old dies in accident on K.R. Puram bridge

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

A 10-year-old boy was killed and his father, a head constable, sustained minor injuries when a speeding truck knocked down their motorcycle near K.R. Puram bridge on Thursday.

The deceased Jeevan was riding pillion with his father Santosh to a market when the incident occurred.

As soon as the bike passed the bridge, Santosh was negotiating a bad patch of road with gravel, when a speeding truck knocked them down.

While Santosh slipped and fell on the other end of the road, Jeevan came under the wheels and was crushed to death.

Rash driving

The K.R. Puram Traffic Police rushed to the spot and seized the truck and booked the driver for death due to negligence and rash driving.

Jeevan was the younger son of Santosh, the police said.

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SUV carrying six students plunges into lake, no one hurt

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

A group of six college students on a drive in an SUV lost control and drove into a lake near Anekal on Friday morning. There were no casualties reported in the incident.

According to the preliminary investigation, the Bannerghatta police said that students were driving on a mud road alongside Chinnayanapalya lake in Anekal taluk when, around 11.30 a.m., the driver lost control and the car plunged into the lake.

Passers-by rushed to help and pulled the students out before the vehicle submerged. The student who was driving managed to escape along with one more, while others were there at the spot till the vehicle was pulled out of the lake using a crane.

"All six students are alleged to have skipped class. They are all students of a private college in Hullahalli. We suspect that the students were under the influence of alcohol. But they claim that they were on the way to the college. So far, no one has filed a complaint about the incident. We will trace the student who was driving the SUV and subject him to medical examination as per legal action to be taken ," a police officer said.

Man commits traffic violations for 4 years

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

The Magadi Road traffic police caught a 29-year-old data entry operator who was riding his scooter with a fake number plate and violating traffic rules unabated for the last four years.

Due to his bad road behaviour, the police would slap fines against the owner of the bike whose number plate the accused was using. Though the owner Badriprasad paid a total sum of ₹11,000 towards fine for the violations he had not committed, he had also raised a complaint with the traffic management centre about the misuse of his registration number.

Tracing the accused

The cheating came to light when PSI Nanje Gowda and Constable Mahesh Kamble reached Cholurpalya 6th Cross based on a complaint about an abandoned scooter on the roadside. They checked through the registration number of the vehicle to trace Badriprasad, who informed the police that though the registration number belonged to him, the scooter was not his. Based on the information, they tracked down the accused Ramgopal, who confessed that he was hoodwinking the traffic police for the last four years.

Ramgopal told the police that he had filed a vehicle theft complaint with the City Market police in 2016 and even claimed the insurance. Two years later, he got back his vehicle but neither informed the police, nor the insurance company. Without informing anyone, he started using the same by faking a number plate of the same model and colour and committed violations with impunity, Kuldeep Kumar R. Jain, DCP, Traffic, West Division, said.

Cheating and forgery

Based on his confession, the police seized his bike and also filed a cheating and forgery case against him with the K.P. Agrahara police.

The accused was handed over to the police for further investigation.

Power shutdown

STAFF REPORTER
BENGALURU

There will be no power supply on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the areas serviced from EPIP 220/66/11 kV GIS Station in view of carrying out quarterly maintenance.

According to a press release from BESCOM, Koramangala Division, the areas that will be affected are: Chinnappana Halli, Annaiah Reddy Layout, AECS C Block, Veerappa Reddy Layout, Vinayaka Layout, Maruthi Layout, Silver Spring Road, ITPL Main Road, BEML Layout, Doddanekundi Extension and surroundings.

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10,000 'Clay Seed Ganesha' idol campaign aims for record

KSPCB campaign will be held at National College Grounds on August 28

STAFF REPORTER
BENGALURU

With its 'Clay Seed Ganesha' campaign, the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) aims to make it to the Guinness Book of World Records this year by making 10,000 idols of Ganesha. The 'eco-friendly Ganesha' campaign is being organised by the KSPCB, in association with Sri Vidyaranya Yuvaka Sangha (organisers of Bengaluru Ganesh Utsav), on August 28 ahead of the Ganesh Chaturthi festival at National College grounds in Basavanagudi.

KSPCB organises several programmes annually to prevent the pollution of water bodies by creating awareness about the ill effects of the idols made from Plaster of Paris (PoP) during Ganesh Chaturthi. During the previous year, 10,000 'Arishina (turmeric) Ganesha' idols which were prepared under the campaign earned a spot in the Asian Book of Records, KSPCB officials said in a press conference on Friday.

This year, seeds of various flowers and medicinal plants will be incorporated in the clay models of Ganesha. School and college students, members of various organisations as well as the general public will take part in the campaign to spread the message about not using idols which are painted with chemical colours. After the festivities, the clay idols can be immersed in pots and then be turned into plants. Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, of the Mysuru royal family who is also the KSPCB's environment ambassador, has contributed to the campaign with his audio and video messages.

Shanth A. Thimmaiah, Chairman, KSPCB, said the idols will all be uniform. "We will make sure all of them achieve the same result. We have done it before and we have been very successful. But the numbers are going to be quite big this time," he said. He further said that those who cannot come to the event can look up the demo video on KSPCB's website and social media pages and make the idols on their own.

The representatives from the Guinness World Records organisation will be present during the event on August 28 to count and audit the process at every stage for which separate bar codes will be provided by the KSPCB for every idol. "Every ten volunteers will be guided by a professional artist who will help them in making their idols beautiful," the officials said. While arranging 20 BMTC buses to bring students from various parts of the city, KSPCB will also be providing a kit consisting of 3.5 kg clay, plant seeds and other materials to the volunteers.

Innovative Ganesha idols being sold at a shop on R.V. Road ahead of 75th Independence Day celebrations in Bengaluru. • BHAGYA PRAKASH K.

Over ₹50 lakh collected in SUP fines

The KSPCB disclosed that since the ban of Single Use Plastic (SUP) in the State, over 1.27 lakh kg of plastic was seized and over ₹36 lakh was collected in fine in July.

In the present month, up until now, over 44,000 kg of plastic has been seized with fines over ₹12 lakh. The KSPCB has also conducted several meetings and taken up other measures for effective implementation of the ban.

It was reiterated during the press conference that if anyone is found selling the banned PoP Ganesha idols, then such sellers will lose their licenses, have their idols seized and would be required to pay fine.

Final year students from Ukraine, China allowed to take FMG exam

'This is a one-time measure and shall not be treated as precedence in future'

JAYANTH R.
BENGALURU

In pursuance to the order of the Supreme Court, the National Medical Commission (NMC) has permitted Indian students – who were in the last year of their undergraduate medical course, but due to COVID-19, the Russia-Ukraine war, etc., had to leave their foreign medical universities and return to India – to appear in the Foreign Medical Graduate (FMG) Examination.

"The above relaxation granted to the foreign medical students is a "one-time measure and shall not be treated as precedence in future", the NMC stated.

Due to COVID-19, around 23,000 Indian students returned from various Chinese universities and colleges, mostly pursuing medical courses, while due to the Russia-Ukraine war, around 18,000 Indian medical students returned from Ukrainian medical universities.

But students who are studying in other years of their undergraduate medical courses are also demanding that the Union government accommodate them in Indian medical colleges.

Inchara Raj, a resident of Kanakapura, and a first year medical student of Bukovinian State Medical University at Chernivtsi, Ukraine, told to *The Hindu*, "Our university is conducting online classes and I have successfully done the first year medical course examination through online. It is good that the NMC has permitted students to appear for the FMG examination. But, there is no decision on the students who are studying in the second, third and other years of medical courses. The future of education is uncertain. There is no sign of the war ending and we don't want to back to the universities. So, we request the Union government to rehabilitate us in Indian medical colleges."

What the NMC order says

In pursuance to the Supreme Court order, NMC has ordered on July 28, 2022 that, "The Indian students who were in the last year of their undergraduate medicine course, due to Covid-19, Russia-Ukraine war etc., and had to leave their foreign medical universities and return to India and have subsequently completed their studies as also have been granted certificate of completion of course/degree by their respective institute on or before June 30, 2022, shall be permitted to appear in FMG examination."

"Thereafter, upon qualifying the FMG examination, such foreign medical graduates are required to undergo 'Compulsory Rotating Medical Internship (CRMI)' for a period of two years to make up for the clinical training which could not be physically attended by them during the undergraduate medicine course in the foreign institute as also to familiarise them with practise of medicine under Indian conditions. The foreign medical graduates will be eligible to get registration only after completing the CRMI for two years," the NMC said.

Har Ghar Tiranga: BBMP sells 11 lakh flags

STAFF REPORTER
BENGALURU

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) on Friday said it has sold 11 lakh flags so far in all eight of its zones for the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign.

BBMP Special Commissioner Rangappa said that of the 15 lakh flags received by the civic body BBMP to sell in the city, 11 lakh had been sold by the sales centres set up in various public places.

"The BBMP will sell all the flags in another two days. Flags are being sold to the citizens at the respective zonal joint commissioner's office and ward offices along with important places and various malls," Mr. Rangappa added.

On Friday, BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath visited various mobile centres opened to sell flags.

IN THE COURT OF THE SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, 7th ADDITION AT BANGALORE RURAL DISTRICT
P & SC No. 16/2022

Between
1. Mrs. SANCHALI GHOSH daughter of late Mihir Ghosh Wife of Amit Seth Aged about 43 years
Permanently residing at 222 phase-1, Adarsh Palm Meadows, Ramagondanahalli Varthur Road, SigmaTech Park, Whitefield, Bangaluru-560066
Presently residing at California, USA at 1092 Ballflower Street, Livermore, California, Pin-94551.
....**Petitioner**

Represented by the SPA holder
Mrs Dipali Koundinya w/o Sridarshan Koudinya Residing at 269 phase 2, Adarsh Palm Meadows Ramagondanahalli, Varthur Road, Sigma Tech Park, Whitefield, Bangaluru-560066
AND
NE ...**Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above named petitioner through her SPA holder cousin Sister have filed a petition under section 372 of Indian Succession Act, praying for grant of Succession Certificate in respect of estates of Late Sri. Mihir Supati Ghosh who died in 27.09.2020 and the late Vrinda Ghosh who died in 10.10.2016 as stated in the schedule herein, before this Hon'ble court VII ADDL SENIOR City Civil Judge Rural Dist. Any person/s having any objections for issue of Succession Certificate in respect of the schedule in favour of the Petitioner or having interest over the estate of late may cause appearance before the court in person or through their advocate on this **26th day of August 2022 at 11.00 AM** failing which the matter will be heard and disposed off in accordance with law.

SCHEDULE
IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY
(Description of the property)

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being Mahadevapura City Municipal Council No 360 & Property No 43 & 44 situated at Whitefield Village, K. R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk(formally called South Taluk) measuring 4808 sq ft mtr or 51753.31 sq ft which is bounded on:
EAST BY: remaining portion of Property No-43
WEST BY: property belonging to Mr T. Venkataraju
NORTH BY: By Road & Portion of property No-44
SOUTH BY: Property belongings to Sri M.Motappa

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY
(ALSO REFERRED TO AS" SCHEDULE PROPERTY")

All that residential property bearing site No 222 falling within the ARO office whitefield bearing New PID No 084-wo779-15 (as per property tax paid receipt issued by the BBMP Revenue Dept for the year of 2012-2013 comprised out of the schedule A property measuring to the East 54 feet 3 1/4 inches, West 56 feet 4 ½ inches North 60 feet, south 60 feet totally measuring 3320 sq ft bounded including villa house ADARSH PALM MEADOWS.
EAST BY property bearing Sl No 223, WEST BY Property bearing Sl No 221, NORTH BY Private Property, SOUTH BY By Road.

II SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY
(Description of the property)

All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing sy no 13/2 measuring 1 Acres 22 guntas situated at White field Village K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Bangalore District Bangalore and bounded on the
EAST BY: Land in sy no 13/3, WEST BY: Land in sy no 13/1, NORTH BY: Land in sy no 124/B1 item II of schedule A property, SOUTH BY: Road

Item No II

All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing sy no 124/B1, measuring 1 Acres 05 guntas situated at White field Village K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Bangalore District Bangalore and bounded on the EAST BY: Remaining portion of land in survey no 124/B1
WEST BY : Sobha Rosse Apartment NORTH BY: Land in sy no 13/2 item 1 of schedule A property, SOUTH BY: Road

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE A PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing sy no 13/2, measuring 1-22 guntas and sy no 124/B1 measuring 1 Acres 05 guntas in all measuring 2 Acres 27 guntas converted vide common order in official Memorendum dated 25.07.2007 issued by the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District vide BDS: ANL E:SR (Kr Ho)25/06-07 and in BDS: ANL E:SR (Kr Ho)60/06-07 situated at White field Village K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Bangalore District Bangalore and bounded on the:
EAST BY: Remaining portion of land in survey no 124/B1 and sy no 13/3, WEST BY : Sobha Rose Apartment NORTH BY: Land in sy no 124/B2, SOUTH BY: Road

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY

560 sq ft undivided interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY
(Description of the Site hereby conveyed)

Flat bearing No 101 in the First Floor in Block K measuring 1245 sq ft Super built Area containing Two Bed Rooms with RCC Roofing, vitrified Flooring, Together with one covered car parking space including proportionate share in common are as such as passage, lobbies, staircase and lift to be constructed the A property know as **Vijetha elysium.**

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Hon'ble Court on 11th Aug, 2022.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
CHIEF MINISTERIAL OFFICER
Seniors Civil Judge's Court,
Bangalore Rural Dist. Bangalore
City Civil Court, Bangalore
Advocate for Petitioner
Sucheta Majumdar Burman
No. 97/2D, Krishna Shine Building M.T.K. Reddy Complex, 1st Floor, Above SBI Bank, Marathhalli, Bangalore-560037.

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT, BENGALURU (CCH-62), P& SC.No. 348/2021
BETWEEN:

01. Smt. Kamala Bhagwandas, W/o. Late. Bhagwandas Holaram Jethani, Aged about 80 years.
02. Sri. Damodar B.Jethani, S/o. Late. Bhagwandas Holaram Jethani, Aged about 60 years.
03. Sri. Biharilal. B. Jethani, S/o. Late. Bhagwandas Holaram Jethani, Aged about 58 years. No.1, to 3 are residing at No. 374, 'Sai Kamal', 5th Main, 13th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru - 560 080.
04. Smt. Vandana. A. Pherwani, D/o. Late. Bhagwandas Holaram Jethani, W/o. Sri Ajay Pherwani, Aged about 50 years, Residing at No.303, Samudra Mahal, Dr. A.B. Road, Near TATA Showroom, Shivasagar, Mumbai Worli, Maharashtra - 400018.
Smt. Vandana. A.Pherwani, Represented by her SPA holder, Sri. Karan.D.Jethani, S/o. Sri Damodar.B.Jethani, Aged about 35 years, Residing at No.374, 'Sai Kamal', 5th Main, 13th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru - 560 080.
...*Petitioners*

AND
NIL ...*Respondent*

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioners above named have filed the above case under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, for grant of Succession Certificate in respect of the Schedule Properties, left by the Deceased Bhagwandas Holaram Jethani, who expired on 27.11.2009. The 1st Petitioner is the wife, and Petitioner Nos.2, 3 and 4, are the children of Late. Bhagwandas Holaram Jethani.

If any person/s having any objection, claim, and right in respect of the Schedule Property, for grant of Succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioners, they are here by summoned to appear before this Court either in person or by pleader duly instructed or through someone authorized by law, to act for you in the above case on 6.09.2022 at 11.00 A.M. in case you intend to contest the case. If you fail to appear, the case will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence.

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Given under my hand and the seal of the Court on this the 21 day of July 2022.

By order of the Court
Assistant Registrar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

Advocat for Plaintiff:
Y. S. H. Reddy, Advocate,
Anil Associates, No.205, 2nd Floor, Esteem Plaza, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru - 560 080. Ph : 9886378570

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, KUSUM Bhattarai Basnet W/o Service No.13627212M, Rank:NK, Name: Lok Bahadur Basnet, presently residing at No.2 Pans(SF), Old Military Diary Farm, Hebbal, Bangalore-560092, have changed my name from Kusum Bhattarai Basnet to Kusum Bhattarai vide affidavit dated 10/08/2022 sworn before Notary Diwakar.N.Kagawad, Bangalore.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE XIX ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-18)
O.S NO. 365/21

Between :
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited, having its registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara-390007, having its head office at M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd., No.1, Shobha Pearl, 2nd Floor, MG Road, Commissariat Road, Bangalore- 560025, and branch office at : 4/10, Mythree Tower Bommanahalli Hosur main road, Bengaluru-560068 through its Authorised representative.
...**Plaintiff**

And :
Mr. Manunath K ...**Defendant**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Defendant :
Mr. Manjunath K,
Son of Kshemaling, Aged major, No. 21/1/168 JC Nagar Kurubarahalli Near KHB Office, Bengaluru-560086.

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of Rs.5,02,086/- along with interest at the rate of against you, and you are summoned to appear before the XIX Addl. City Civil & Sessions, Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H-18), in person or by a pleader, on the 05 day of September,2022 11:00 A.M to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the1st day of August 2022 at Bangalore.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Assistant Registrar,
Hon'ble City Civil Court, Bengaluru.
Advocate, For Plaintiff
B.S. Jeevan Kumar Vidhii Partners, Advocates, No. 701, Queens Corner 'A', #3, Queens Road, Bengaluru -01.

LEGAL NOTICE

FORM NO. 1-A
Summons/ Notice for service by advertisement in newspaper
(Order 5 Rule 20 of CPC)
IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL, BANGALORE (CCH-75)
O.S. No. 26557/2021

Plaintiff :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd.
Having its Regd. Off at Mytree Centre, No. 4, 101 Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068. Reptd. by its Debt Collection Manager : Sri. Pramodh.G, S/o. Gurumallappa.B

Defendant :
Mr. Mahesh Kumar,
S/o. Mr. Armugam Selvaraj, Aged about 34 years, Residing at No. 102, Baglur Mansion, Rammurthy Nagar, N.R. Lakshmi Theatre, Bangalore- 560016

WHEREAS the plaintiffs have instituted the above suit against you seeking to recover a sum of **Rs.14,28,012- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand and Twelve Only)** together with future interest at 10.99% you are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or by pleader on the 28th day of September 2022 to answer the same, failing which the suit/ application will be disposed of ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 29/07/2022.

By Order of the Hon. Court, Dy. Registrar, City Civil Court Mayohall Unit, Bangalore
ALTAF HASAN, Advocate, No.60, G-3, Ground Floor, M.M.Complex, Chikka Bazaar Street, Tasker Town, Shivajinagar, Bangalore- 051; 9902928290/ 7892117565

FORM NO. 1-A
Summons/Notice for service by advertisement in Newspaper
(Order 5 Rule 20 of CPC)
IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE (CCH-75)
O.S. No. 26558 of 2021

Plaintiff :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd.
Having its Regd. Off at Mytree Centre, No.4, 101 Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068. Reptd. by its Debts Collection Manager : Sri. Pramodh.G, S/o. Gurumallappa.B

Defendant :
Mr. Raghavendra Singh, S/o. Mr. Ramveer Singh Aged about 35 years, Residing at No. 309, Greater Lanie Bellandoor, Bangalore- 560103.

WHEREAS the plaintiffs have instituted the above suit/ application against you seeking to recover a sum of **Rs.3,55,972/- (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Two Only)** together with future interest at 10.99% p.a. you are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or by pleader on the 28th day of September 2022 to answer the same, failing which the suit/application will be disposed of ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 02.08.2022.

By Order of the Hon. Court, Dy. Registrar, City Civil Court Mayohall Unit, Bangalore
ALTAF HASAN, Advocate #60, G-3, M.M.Complex, Tasker Town, Chikka Bazaar Road, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560051.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN COURT OF THE Ist ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT K.G.F
O. S. No. 224 of 2021
BETWEEN: SMT. MEENAKSHI ...PAINTIFF
AND: SYEDAZGARAND OTHERS
: DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 (1) (1-A) OF CPC TO DEFENDANT No.1:
SYED AZGAR, S/o Syed Peer Aged about 52 years, Residing at No.45/1, 2 nd Cross, Near Siddiq Masjid, Gangondanahalli, Nayandahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560039. **DEFENDANT No.1**

The Plaintiff filed the suit for Permanent injunction in favour of the Plaintiff and against the Defendants, restraining the Defendants and their henchmen, servants, agents and anybody acting on their behalf from interfering with the peaceful possession, occupation and enjoyment of the suit schedule properties by the Plaintiff in the interest of justice and equity.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Land bearing Sy.No.10/1, measuring to an extent of 03 acres 10 guntas including 06 guntas 'A' Kaneb, remaining 06 guntas 'B' Kaneb totally remaining available measuring 03 acres 07 guntas situated at Krishnapuram Village, Robertsonpete Hobli, K.G.F./Bangarpete Taluk, Kolar District bounded on: East By: Road, West By: Kharab Land, South By: Land belongs to N.Vishwanath, North By: Land belongs to Dr. Channakeshavulu.

Whereas the claimant has instituted a civil suit against you, wherefore, the Defendant is hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble court in person or through counsel on 17-09-2022 at 11 'O' Clock in the Noon to answer the claim and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend in support of your defense. Take Summons that, in default of your appearance on day before mentioned, the Suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, on this 11 day of 08-2022.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- **CHIEF MINISTERIAL OFFICER P/L CIVIL JUDGE & ADDL. JMFC COURT KOLAR GOLD FIELDS**

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
NANDYUGA LAW ASSOCIATES, Advocates, Residing at No.106/E, Ground Floor, 10th Main, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560 040.

IN THE COMMERCIAL COURT AT BENGALURU (CCH-90)
COMMERCIAL ORIGINAL SUIT NO.186/2022

Between
ICICI Bank Limited, Having its Corporate & Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara - 390 007 and branch office at Mystree Center, No. 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560 068
...**Plaintiff**

And
Sri. Jai Kumar R & Another
...**Defendants**

APPLICATION UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 OF C.P.C.

Summons to Defendant No.2
D2. Smt. Apeksha J, D/o. Sri. James Partick, Aged about 29 years, No.44, SNT Street, Gupta Layout, Halasuru, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560 008

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted a suit against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.12,60,391/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Sixty Thousand Three Hundred Ninety One Only)** together with interest thereon at the rate 24% p.a., with costs etc. You may take notice that you are hereby directed to appear before this court, in person, or through pleader on 02/09/2022 at 11:00 a.m., to answer as to why relief prayer for in the suit should not be granted. If you fail to appear on the above said date, the suit will be proceeded with and decided ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this 06/08/2022.

BY ORDER OF COURT
CITY CIVIL COURT, BENGALURU
ADVOCATE, FOR PLAINTIFF
SA Associates, No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore - 560 047

LEGAL NOTICE

FORM NO. 1-A
Summons/ Notice for service by advertisement in newspaper
(Order 5 Rule 20 of CPC)
IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL, BANGALORE (CCH-75)
O.S. No. 25684 of 2022

Plaintiff :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd.
Having its Regd. Off at Mytree Centre, No. 4, 101, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068. Reptd. by its Debts Collection Manager : Sri. Pramodh.G, S/o. Gurumallappa.B

Defendant :
Mrs. Geetha N.S,
Aged about 40 years, D/o. Mr. Sampangappa Residing At No. 9A, 2nd Main Road, AECS Layout, Nagashetty Halli, RMV Extension 2nd Stage, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560094.

WHEREAS the plaintiffs have instituted the above suit against you seeking to recover a sum of **Rs. 3,95,533/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty Three Only)** together with future interest at 14.75% p.a. you are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or by pleader on the 10th day of October 2022 to answer the same, failing which the suit/application will be disposed of ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 03/08/2022.

By Order of the Hon. Court, Dy. Registrar, City Civil Court Mayohall Unit, Bangalore
ALTAF HASAN, Advocate #60, G-3, M.M. Complex, Tasker Town, Chikka Bazaar Road, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560051.

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PLACE : BANGALORE
DATE : 13/08/2022

P. NAGAMUNI REDDY,
Advocate, SNN Associates,
No.248, 2nd Floor, 10th Main, 1st Block, 100 Feet Road, HRBR Layout, Kalyan Nagar, Bengaluru – 560043. Land Mark – Near Horamavu Signal, Above Canara Bank & HDFC ATM.
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Farmers stare at crisis as 'king of fruits' does not rule for second year

Incessant rains, disease and jumbo havoc cited as reasons for crop damage

JAHNAVI T.R.
BENGALURU

If consumers felt that the mango season this year was over by the time it started, farmers say that this is true. Although it was determined by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Horticulture Department that 2022 would be an off year for mangoes, the ground reality was worse.

The mango yield fell significantly this year with most farmers from the major mango growing areas of Kolar and Ramanagaram districts reporting that their yield was only 20% of what they usually have. As is the case with many horticulture crops in the last two years, incessant rains greatly affected the mango crops too. First, during the flowering season, instead of cold conditions, rainy conditions prevailed which was not conducive for the process and thus, there were not many hermaphrodite flowers.

After the fruit came to the markets (later than usual), frequent complaints were heard by consumers that the prices of all varieties were mostly above ₹100 per kg this year. However, by the second week of July, it seemed like the season was already over.

"We were a little hopeful after the flowering even though they were affected with blossom blight. But then came rainfall and hailstorms which led to only 25% of these flowers becoming fruits. If one hectare produced ten tonnes of fruits before, this year we only got 2.5 tonnes. Even though the prices went up due to lack of supply, it was in no way enough for us to even break even as we have to invest at least ₹40- 50,000 per hectare," explained Chinnappa Reddy, president, Kolar Mango Growers' Association.

Mango yield is 50% lower than last year with farmers blaming untimely and intermittent rain for the loss. •BHAGYA PRAKASH K.

Mangoes have been a means of our livelihood for decades, but this time the situation got worse than ever. It is true that natural factors only led to the crop damage, but why does no one from the Horticulture Department or Indian Institute of Horticulture Research tell us what precautions to take?

CHINNAPPA REDDY
president, Kolar Mango Growers' Association

Mr. Reddy added that the mango mela which was organised by the Horticulture Department in association with Karnataka State Mango Development and Marketing Corporation Limited (KSMDMCL) was not of much help to the farmers. "Mangoes have been a means of our livelihood for decades, but this time the situation got worse than ever. It is true that natural factors only led to the crop damage, but why does no one from the department or Indian Institute of Horticulture Research (IIHR) tell us what precautions to take," he questioned.

Wild elephants

Another giant problem faced by the mango farmers around Mysuru was that of wild elephants. Entering into their fields, the elephants knocked down trees that were 30-35 years old. "The government paid ₹1,800 per tree as compensation. But, how is that enough in any manner," they ask.

"Between all of these problems, our harvest was only 20%, out of which many fruits were infested with anthracnose (black spots). Even at APMCs we did not get honest rates. The farmers here used to grow enough fruits to distribute it to everyone around. This year anyone was lucky to get a 25 kg bag," said Dharanish Kumar, president, Kanakapura and Channapatna Mango Growers' Association.

An official in the KSMDMCL said that even though exact numbers have still not been calculated, only 7-8 lakh metric tonnes of mangoes hit the markets this year as opposed to the usual 14-16 lakh metric tonnes. They added that sales were down by 50% this year and even the online portal Karsiri had to be closed early due to the unavailability of fruits.

Some customers reported that their money was refunded to them by the board as quality fruits were not available after they placed their orders on the online portal.

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Advt. No. AIIMS/NGP/Admin I/Faculty/2022/02 Dated: 13/08/2022

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3.	Medical Haematology*	-	01 (UR)	-	-
4.	Medical Oncology*	01 (UR)	-	-	-
5.	Neonatology*	-	01 (SC)	-	-
6.	Nephrology*	01 (OBC)#	-	01 (SC)#	-
7.	Neurology*		01 (UR)#	01 (OBC)#	-
8.	Neurosurgery*	01 (UR)	-	-	02 (UR)#
9.	Nuclear Medicine	-	01 (OBC)	-	-
10.	Paediatric Surgery*	-	01 (UR)	-	-
11.	Psychiatry	01 (EWS)	-	-	-
12.	Pulmonary Medicine*	-	-	-	01 (OBC)#
13.	Radiotherapy	01 (UR)	-	-	-
14.	Surgical Gastroenterology*	01 (OBC)	-	01 (OBC)#	-
15.	Surgical Oncology*	-	01 (OBC)	01 (UR)#	-
16.	Transfusion Medicine and Blood Bank	-	01 (EWS)#	-	-
17.	Trauma & Emergency	01 (SC)#	-	-	01 (SC)#
18.	Urology*	01 (UR)#	-	-	-
	Total	**08**	**09**	**05**	**07**
	Grand Total	**29 Posts**			

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Director, AIIMS, Nagpur

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BENGALURU

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RISE 06:07	SET 18:42
RISE 20:04	SET 07:11
SUNDAY, AUG. 14	
RISE 06:07	SET 18:41
RISE 20:47	SET 08:09
MONDAY, AUG. 15	
RISE 06:07	SET 18:41
RISE 21:28	SET 09:03

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	31	24
Mysuru	28	21
Bengaluru	27	20

Bengaluru Today
27°C The weather will be comfortable but humid. Night will be pleasant. Short spell of light rain or thundershower is a chance at few places.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
28°C The weather will be mostly dry Day will be comfortable but humid. Night will be pleasant.

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IN BRIEF

2,032 cases, five deaths

BENGALURU

Karnataka on Friday recorded 2,032 new COVID-19 infections taking the total number of cases to 40,28,117. With this, the day's Test Positivity Rate (TPR) stood at 6.63% and the weekly TPR touched 6.32%. Of the new cases, 1,202 have been reported from Bengaluru Urban alone. With five deaths, the State's toll touched 40,139. Besides, 42 deaths of patients due to non-COVID-19 reasons have also been recorded. As many as 1,686 persons were discharged on Friday taking the total recoveries to 39,77,541. Active cases stood at 10,395 on Friday. As many as 30,638 tests were conducted in the last 24 hours..

Precaution dose: Less than 9% of adults covered in State

Combined precaution dose coverage for 18-59 age group stands at 17%

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

Although the precaution dose coverage has marginally gone up since July 15, when the Centre rolled out the 75-day free vaccination campaign to mark 75 years of India's independence, a mere 8.8% of the population in the 18-59 years age group have been covered so far.

While the coverage in this group that stood at 3.4% in June has more than doubled, the progress has been very poor. In the senior citizens category, 46% of the targeted 70,93,321 persons have been administered the third dose so far.

The combined precaution dose coverage for healthcare workers, frontline workers and citizens in the 18-59 years age group stood at 17% as of August 11.

The Centre rolled out precaution dose administration for senior citizens across the country on January 10 and for those in the 18-59 age group on April 10. The response was very poor with hardly 20,000 people taking the third dose daily. However, following the roll out of the Centre's Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav COVID vaccine campaign (that will go on till September 30), the uptake has slightly improved. Overall, the State has administered 73,17,990 precaution doses so far, according to official data.

A health worker giving COVID-19 vaccine dose to a senior citizen in Bengaluru. •FILE PHOTO

Officials said the number of people eligible for the precaution dose has gone up as the duration between two doses has been reduced from nine months to six months.

Expressing concern over the poor response from people, the Health and Medical Education Minister said it has been proven that the disease severity is low among the vaccinated. "Earlier, the third dose was free only for senior citizens in government hospitals. Besides, vaccines were not available in all private facilities. But now it is available free of cost in government hospitals for people of all age groups. With cases again on the rise, people should come forward and take the precaution dose," he said.

12 districts above average

As of August 12, the State had a target population of 70,93,321 in the senior citizens' category and 3,24,36,783 in the 18-59 age group, due for the precaution dose. According to data from the Co-WIN portal shared by the State Health Department, the coverage in 12 districts is above the State average in both the senior citizens and 18-59 years age groups.

In the senior citizens' category, while the highest coverage is in Ramanagaram where 75% of the target population has been covered, the lowest is in Tumakuru that has 27% coverage. In Bengaluru Urban district, inclusive of BBMP, the coverage so far has been 42%. While Hassan, Kolar, Chitradurga Udupi and Mandya have a coverage of above 60%, Chamarajanagar and Ballari are inching towards 60%.

In the 18-59 years group, the coverage has been below the State average of 8.8% in 19 districts. While the lowest coverage is in Haveri at 4.4%, Kolar recorded the highest coverage at 17.6%. Besides, Yadgir, Hassan and Vijayanagar have recorded coverage of above 13%. Bengaluru Urban has achieved a coverage of 10%.

CorbeVax administration begins in State

With the Centre having approved Biological E's CorbeVax as a precaution dose for those above 18 years fully vaccinated with either Covishield or Covaxin, Health and Medical Education Minister K Sudhakar officially launched the administration of this heterologous vaccine at Victoria hospital in the city on Friday. TAC chairman M K Sudarshan said it is a safe vaccine and people can opt for it without any hesitancy.

Pvt. hospitals asked to set aside beds

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

Amid rising COVID-19 cases in the State, the Health Department has directed private hospitals with in-patient facilities to earmark a fixed number of beds in their isolation wards for COVID-19 patients. A circular in this regard was issued by Health Commissioner Randeep D. on Friday.

Warning private hospitals of legal action under the Karnataka Private Medical Establishments Act, 2007, and Karnataka Epidemic Diseases Act, 2020, the circular directed administrators of private healthcare facilities to comply with these guidelines. "It is also notified to the public that any instances of denial of COVID-19 admissions at private hospitals should be brought to the notice of the Commissionerate of Health and Family Welfare at 080-23354085. People can also reach out on comhfw@gmail.com or on Twitter at @Comm_dhfwka," the circular added.

The Health Department has also directed the State-run C.V. Raman and Atal Bihari Vajpayee Medical College Hospital to reserve a minimum of 50 beds for COVID-19 patients.

Awareness programmes planned on World Organ Donation day

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

To mark World Organ Donation day, on August 13, the State Health Department has planned a human chain from Mehkri Circle up to Freedom Park. Over 5,000 people including students and ASHA workers will form the chain to express gratitude to organ donors and to promote cooperation and unity. In addition, like-minded people from the health and medical sector will form a chain the shape of a kidney at Tripura Vasini from 8 am to 8.15 am on Saturday to create awareness.

Addressing mediapersons here on Friday, Health and Medical Education Minister K. Sudhakar said on the occasion, CM Basavaraj Bommai will felicitate family members of cadaveric organ donors. They will be honoured at an event in Vidhana Soudha. Recipients will also share their thoughts.

Organ pledging

Calling upon people to pledge their organs, the Minister said he along with the CM will take an organ donation pledge on Saturday. Some Ministers and other officials have also come forward to do so. He said people can pledge online through the State Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation (SOTTO). "Over 11,000 people have already taken the pledge online. Karnataka should become a role model in this. While 4,354 people have registered for a kidney transplant in Karnataka, 1,141 are waiting for a liver transplant and 91 for a heart transplant," he said.

The number of non-transplant organ retrieval centres have increased from two to 18 in the State now. One such facility has been started at each medical medical college in the State. "To hasten the process of donation, organ harvesting, transportation and transplant of organs, an air ambulance facility is being planned and will be available shortly. We are also contemplating placing a price cap on organ transplant procedures in private hospitals to make it more affordable for the common man," he added.

Janotsava on August 28

To mark three years of the BJP government in Karnataka, a janotsava programme will be held on August 28 at Doddaballapur. Hundreds of party workers from Kolar, Chikkaballapur and Bengaluru Rural are expected to participate.

Opening of consulate in Bengaluru: Jaishankar likely to raise issue during US visit

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

A long-time demand for an US consulate in Bengaluru could again be revived with the US administration during the visit of Minister for External Affairs S. Jaishankar to the US next month as he promised "to bear in mind" the demand during his visit.

"My wishes, my support and my enthusiasm is very much there for Bengaluru. I can encourage them and enable them (to set up consulate) and surely I will do. Next month I am going to the United States and I will bear this in my mind," the External Affairs Minister said during an interaction here on Friday.

"If you ask me, it is good economics speaking. Off course, it does make sense to have a consulate in Bengaluru. It does not only make sense from a Bengalorean perspective, but also makes sense from the American perspective."

With the burgeoning information technology companies and start-ups located in Bengaluru, employing about a million, a need for an US consulate has been felt for long. Currently, those seeking US visas either have to approach the consulate in Chennai or Hyderabad. In 2019, the BJP had raised the issue with Mr. Jaishankar, who had promised to take up the matter.

While the issue was raised during his interaction with representatives of Electronics City Industries Association, Mr. Jaishankar said that the last time the US set up a consulate in India was in 2006 when the then President George Bush was visiting India. "I was dealing with it in a different capacity. The two finalists were Hyderabad and Bengaluru. For whatever reasons the Americans made that decision. It is not something my ministry gets to decide but American foreign ministry gets to decide. Which foreign country sets up a consulate and where is ultimately their decision."

The Minister said: "In my own experience, it takes time to set up an embassy involving budgeting an increase in the number of people. You have to go through a process."

Mr. Jaishankar said Bengaluru Brand that began with IT and is much bigger than IT now. It involves digital, innovation, start-up, youth talent and mobility – all of it coming together. "Bengaluru is energetic and a truly global brand. It will be a big beneficiary of goodwill and respect of the world that is eager to partner with india."

Shimoga Subbanna's unique voice resonates through generations

His death marks the slow fading away of a pioneering generation of artists who made sugama sangeetha a rage

K.V. ADITYA BHARADWAJ
BENGALURU

His unique voice that was rich and deep secured Shimoga Subbanna a special place in the pantheon of Bhavageethe singers in Karnataka.

His death on Thursday probably also marks the slow fading away of a pioneering generation of singers and composers who made sugama sangeetha (the tradition of setting poems to music, thereby taking poetry close to people) a rage.

Lahari Velu, of Lahari Music, who brought out most of his albums, said what set Shimoga Subbanna apart from other singers was the quality of his voice. "As an artiste he may have sung fewer songs than many others, which is because he was averse to rampant commercialisation of art. But almost every song he has sung has remained a classic and he is a connoisseur's singer. Even today most of his songs are being heard by lakhs of listeners on streaming platforms earning revenue for us and I am sure this will be the case for decades to come," he said.

Born in Nagara, Shivamogga district, in 1938, Shimoga Subbanna became a household name when he won Rajat Kamal award for Best Playback Singer (Male) for his song "Kadu Kudure Odi Banditta..." in Chandrashekhar Kambar's film "Kadukudure" in 1979 and he never looked back.

Prof. N. S. Lakshminarayana Bhatta, Subbanna's friend since his student days when he was christened "College Rafi" for his singing talents and even sang the national anthem in front of Jawaharlal Nehru, suggested his name to his other friend Kambar who was making films.

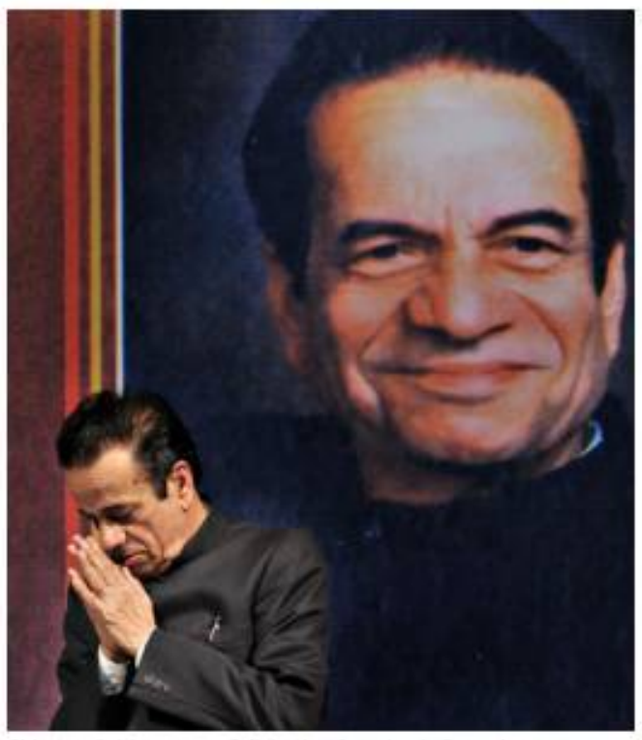
"He first sang in the film Karimayi, but his name G. Subrahmanya became a hurdle for him. The cassette record firm printed the name of S.P. Balasubramanyam instead, given how omnipresent SPB was during that time. Even the radio was crediting the song to SPB," Prof. Bhatta recounted once.

Dr. Kambar recounting his association with Subbanna said when he sang for Kadukudure next, he decided to give him the name Shimoga Subbanna, which stuck. The singer soon changed his name officially too. The song went on to fetch him a national award.

However, despite winning a national award, Kannada cinema did not provide him great opportunities. Kannada cinema's loss was a big gain for the field of Sugama Sangeeta, which was gathering steam and soon became a trend in early 1980s. Among the most popular cassettes of the time was Shishunala Sharif Geetegalu – in which Subbanna sang three songs "Kodagana Koli Nungitta..", "Biddiyabbe Muduki.." and "Alabeda Tangi.." They became instant chartbusters.

He worked at an auditor's office and was a lawyer in Shivamogga before he shifted to Bengaluru in 1983. Following his shift to the city, he travelled across the State giving concerts and more albums made him very popular. Subbanna often also credited his success to All India Radio where he was an A grade artist for over five decades.

Though his most popular songs were tatvapadas by Shishunala Sharif, poems by Kuvempu which were spiritual and philosophical, were his forte. He also sang several delicate compositions like "Banni Bhavagale Banni Nannedege.." or a "Yarigoo Helonu Beda..". His singing also had a strong influence of classical music, which also set him apart from other singers of his time. While growing up in a family with strong influence of Carnatic music, he was a connoisseur of Hindustani music and it influenced his music greatly.


Shimoga Subbanna at a felicitation function in Bengaluru on January 5, 2009.

Last rites held with police honours

The last rites of renowned singer Shimoga Subbanna, 83, was held in the city on Friday. He was accorded police honours by the State government. His mortal remains were kept at Ravindra Kalakshetra for the public and dignitaries to pay their last respects earlier in the day.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and his cabinet colleagues, former Chief Minister B. S. Yediyurappa and former Minister K.S. Eshwarappa, both from Shivamogga, were among several dignitaries who paid their respects.

Popular songs of Shimoga Subbanna

Anandamaya Ee Jagahrudaya..

O Nanna Chetana Agu Nee Aniketana..

Modalu Manavanagu..

Baarisu Kannada Dindimava..

Kodagana Koli Nungitta..

Biddiyabbe Muduki..

Yarigoo Helonu Beda..

Banni Bhavagale Banni Nannedege..

Aluva Kadalolu Teli Barutalide Nageya Haayi Doni..

Devare Agadha Ninna Karuneya Kadalu.

Aganitha Tharaganagala Naduve

Awards and recognition

Rajat Kamal award for Best Playback Singer (Male) 1978 for the song *Kadukudure Odi Banditta...* - The first time a Kannadiga won the award

Karnataka Rajyotsava Award - 1985

Karnataka Sangeeta Nrutya Academy Award - 1988

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Honorary doctorate by Kuvempu University - 2008

Basavaraj Bommai paying his last respects to Shimoga Subbanna •SUDHAKARA JAIN

Shimoga Subbanna with Rajeev Taranath, Chandrashekar Kambar, and U.R. Ananthamurthy in June 2006.

Shimoga Subbanna performing at a programme.

Shimoga Subbanna and his wife at a felicitation event.

The voice of Kuvempu

K.V. ADITYA BHARADWAJ
BENGALURU

Shimoga Subbanna, though sang poems of many poets in his over five-decade-long career, was recognised as the voice of Kuvempu. Even Kuvempu himself often said Subbanna sang his poetry best, going further he said if anyone sang Bhavageethe, they have to sing like Subbanna.

His first independent cassette was "Kuvempu Geethegalu", in 1983-84, an album of 10 Kuvempu poems that he composed music for and sang, which was an instant hit. "Most of the songs in the album have remained classics and chartbusters on streaming platforms even today," said Lahari Velu, whose company Lahari Music brought out the album. Songs in the album *"Anandamaya ee Jagahrudaya..", "O Nanna Chetana..", "Baarisu Kannada Dindimava..", "Aganita Taraganagala Naduve..."* to name a few made him an instant household name across the State.

The *gambheerya* of his voice and his deep reading of literature lent itself well for the vast spiritual and philosophical canvas of Kuvempu's poetry, to create a magic that was often not surpassed by others who composed and sang Kuvempu's poems.

Theatre thespian C.R. Simha who directed and acted in the play "Rasarishi - Kuvempu Darshana" writes in the commemorative volume "Gauravanvita Gayaka Dr. Shimoga Subbanna", that in 1993 he wanted only Subbanna to compose music for the play, as he couldn't imagine anyone else to compose for a play based on Kuvempu's life. "He had some inhibitions that he had never composed music for a play earlier. But he did for our play and it was such a musical hit too," Mr. Simha wrote.

The exceptional Shimoga Subbanna was a household name for those who love Kannada songs and music. His works are admired and so are his efforts to connect gems of Kannada poetry with the present generation.
NARENDRA MODI, Prime Minister

The demise of an unmatched singer Shimoga Subbanna who breathed fresh air into Kannada Bhavageete and the first Kannada singer to win the national award for playback singing, is a loss to the Kannada cultural world.
BASAVARAJ BOMMAI, Chief Minister

With the demise of Shimoga Subbanna the world of music and all Kannadigas have lost a unique voice. Subbanna will always be alive within us through his songs.
SIDDARAMAIAH, Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly

The death of Shimoga Subbanna, who had composed music and sung poems of Kuvempu, Da. Ra. Bendre and other poets, taking them to new heights, is a great loss to the State.
H.D. KUMARASWAMY, Janata Dal (S) leader

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The buyer may wait a little longer

RBI decision to increase repo rate will have its impact. By **SHRINIVAS RAO**

The real estate market faces an imminent trickle-down effect of the repo rate increase, and home purchase may be impacted.

The RBI has increased repo rate by 50 bps, the third consecutive rate hike in the last two months, thus signaling an end to the all-time low-interest rates regime. While the move was taken up as a pertinent measure to curb rising inflation, it has created ripples of apprehension in the real estate industry. This development has come at a time when the industry was just about coming out of the COVID-19 crisis, finding its footing after a prolonged spell of market gloom. The current situation, marked by global headwinds from geopolitical conditions impacting the supply chain ecosystem, and the rising cost of construction raw materials, already portend an uneasy road ahead for the industry.

The housing market is expected to bear the major brunt of the repo rate increase. The residential market had picked up substantial momentum in the past 18 months, with the first half of the year 2022 seeing sales recorded at around 1.6 lakh units, buoyed largely by the RBI's stand of keeping repo rates unchanged.

Majority of the new residential launches and sales during the pandemic period was observed in the affordable and mid-segment budget categories.

> We expect inflation to reduce by the year-end, which might encourage the central bank to lower interest rates.

With home loan EMIs set to increase in tandem with the repo rate increase, prospective buyers might be compelled to reconsider their buying decisions. Additionally, the rising cost of construction would induce developers to increase the price of their products, further impacting home buyers and leading market sentiments to somewhat decline in due course.

On the other hand, while real estate market faces an imminent trickle-down effect of the repo rate, it is equally important that the economy continues to grow in a stable and inclusive manner. This increase is a critical step towards controlling liquidity circulation in the economy, which, in the medium term, would expectedly lead to relative stability, provided that the current uncertainty arising out of geopolitical situation subsides.

In the forthcoming months, we expect the impact of the repo rate increase to be evident in residential sales number, particularly in the affordable and mid-segment budget categories, and amongst first time home buyers who rely mostly on home loans. The constraint in the real estate market notwithstanding, the RBI's decision to raise the repo rate has been a prudent move, given that strict fiscal measures are being adopted by central banks world over to combat rising global inflation levels.

We believe that this crucial step will aid in restraining inflation levels and bring forth steady growth in the medium term.

With such stringent measures implemented, we expect inflation to reduce by the year-end, which might encourage the central bank to lower interest rates. This is important as increased interest rate not only impacts the real estate market but also affects the cost of doing business.

Hence, we anticipate the increase in repo rate to be a temporary, inflation-curbing exercise that would eventually strengthen the economy and allow the real estate industry to function in a conducive environment in the period ahead.

Investors use real estate to grow and diversify their portfolios, but there are other options as well, says **VINEET CHELLANI**

Real estate vs alternatives

The main motive of investing is to generate cash. People invest for various purposes. Some do it to make a living, while others invest to save money for retirement. For those unfamiliar with investing, it can be difficult to understand. It is mandatory to understand first which would be better for you, as an investment is a big deal and investors will get their answers here so they can make decisions about where their hard-earned capital will be allocated.

Every investor has a niche that they focus on and understand. There are many different fields investors can use to make money like traditional/ alternative investments or real estate. The traditional/ alternative investments include stocks and bonds, gold, art and collectibles, currencies, etc., and real estate investments include buying and selling of residential and commercial properties, besides taking properties on a lease.

The contrast between real estate and stock market investment is the cash flow. Rental properties put cash in the proprietor's pocket every month while stocks possibly put cash in the proprietor's pocket when they are sold.

However, we should engage the contention and check the numbers out. Over the past 10 years, real estate has beaten the stock market. Over the past five years, the stock market has returned 23% more than real estate. In the previous year, real estate has beaten the stock market by 4%.

Both are great ways of investing money for solid and consistent ROI if invested responsibly.

For a greater output, the investors prefer asset-based investments like real estate. Because of the benefits that real estate investing offers, investors use real estate to grow and diversify their portfolios.

Crucial factors

1. Tax advantages: Real estate investors are highly favoured by tax laws. There are a lot of tax deductions available for property owners including property tax, real estate interests, mortgage interests, repairs and maintenance, and upkeep. To combat inflation one can even depreciate rental properties over time.

2. Leverage with other people's money: One of the greatest parts of investing in real estate is that one can use others' money to invest. One can purchase an asset with only 20% of the funds, which is not possible in stock markets.

3. Fewer fluctuations: Real estate investments generally don't fluctuate with the stock markets, so they are usually not affected by market conditions.

4. Diversify your portfolio: Real estate investments have a low correlation to the stock markets; they help to diversify their portfolio. By investing in real estate funds one will have access to markets that one wouldn't have had access to before.

Some of the points to be considered include bad location, as the community and the comparable properties in that area of your property have a huge impact on its value, and maintenance and upkeep. Some of the properties come with underlying issues that could be expensive.

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'BJP will go to Assembly polls under Bommai's leadership'

There is no question of replacing the Chief Minister, says party leader Arun Singh

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

Seeking to put an end to the speculation over a possible change of Chief Minister in Karnataka, BJP national general secretary and State in-charge Arun Singh on Friday ruled out any such possibility. He even declared that the BJP would go to the next Assembly elections under the leadership of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai.

"It is a ridiculous question (on whether Mr. Bommai would be replaced). Mr. Bommai is doing good work, especially for farmers and youth. There is no question of replacing him," Mr. Singh told reporters in New Delhi.

BJP national general secretary Arun Singh • FILE PHOTO

"As the party general secretary in-charge of Karnataka, I would like to reiterate that the party would face the next Assembly elections under Mr. Bommai's leadership. We are confident of winning the elections with full majority," he remarked.

Taking exception to the Congress tweet that predicted that the Chief Minister would be changed, Mr. Singh said: "Speculation of leadership change is a ploy by the Opposition Congress that does not have any issues or agenda to take on the BJP."

Alleging that top Congress leaders in Karnataka Siddaramaiah and D.K. Shivakumar were indulging in serious infighting, Mr. Singh said they had triggered speculation over leadership change to side-track their problems.

"The speculation was triggered by the Congress with meticulous planning. But there is no truth in it," he said.

Launching a counter attack at the Congress, Mr. Singh said: "The Congress is a divided house. The leaders are not on the ground."

He said the BJP had set a target of winning 150 of the total 224 Assembly seats in the forthcoming elections. "We are confident of achieving this," he said.

It may be noted that the Congress had said that the recent visit of Union Home Minister Amit Shah to the State and the subsequent developments were an indication of the BJP preparing to change the Chief Minister.

Govt. will abide by HC ruling on Anti-Corruption Bureau: CM

Constitution of the ACB has been set aside

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Friday said the government would abide by the order of the Karnataka High Court to abolish the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), while stating that the BJP had vowed in its poll manifesto itself to scrap the ACB which was set up by the then Siddaramaiah government.

Speaking to reporters after a Cabinet meeting, Mr. Bommai said the Cabinet had discussed the issue and sought a report from the Law Department and the Advocate-General on the judgment. The Law Department and the Advocate-General would study the verdict and

Basavaraj Bommai

based on their recommendation, the government would decide the future of ACB, he said.

The High Court on Thursday set aside the constitution of a separate ACB, under the direct control of the Chief Minister, in 2016 that had withdrawn the powers vested with the Karnataka Lokayukta police wing to probe all cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against public servants.

Mr. Bommai said the government had not been able to take a decision on the party's promise on the abolition of the ACB since the matter was before the High Court. "We will abide by the verdict and the Advocate-General will guide us," the Chief Minister said.

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J.C. Madhuswamy said "in principle the BJP is committed to abolish the ACB". The judgment ran into many pages and the government would discuss the court order and take a decision about the future of ACB, he added.

Water Policy 2022 gets Cabinet nod

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

With agriculture accounting for about 84% of water consumption and the estimated water demand set to reach 1,859 tmcft by 2025, the State Cabinet on Friday approved the Karnataka Water Policy 2022 for effective management of water resources.

The policy says that "water management is not a techno-managerial process" and it has multiple uses and multiple stakeholders. The State adopted a water policy in 2002 but due to changed scenarios of water availability and demand, it felt the need for a new policy.

The new policy will shift the focus from increasing water supply infrastructure to managing water within the available budget. The policy was revised to address the new challenges and make it more comprehensively integrated resource-management oriented to address the growing inter-sectoral demands and to ensure water, food, and economic security of the State.

The policy envisages the constitution of an inter-departmental State water resources authority under the chairmanship of the Minister for Water Resources and forming of a high-level water policy review and monitoring committee under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary.

The policy said "flood risks are to be controlled by real-time monitoring and forecasting technologies with provision of flood cushion during heavy rainfall and with effective communication between dam and managers and flood plain administration."

Water management has assumed significance as 61% of the State is drought prone. Of the total water usage, 26% is from groundwater, it said.

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Upper age limit for teaching posts relaxed

The Cabinet approved grant of ₹85 crore for construction of a Yatri Nivas for pilgrims visiting Srisailam in Andhra Pradesh.

Report given to SC

The Cabinet ratified a report of K. Bhaktavatsala, former judge of High Court of Karnataka, that recommended reservation of 33% of total seats, in favour of Other Backward Classes (including minorities) in ULB elections. However, it suggested that the aggregate of reservation of seats in favour of SCs, STs, and OBCs should not exceed 50% of total seats. The same report had been submitted to the Supreme Court which would hear the matter soon, the Minister said.

He said establishment of 128 Mahila Swasthya Centres have been approved for ₹22.4 crore. They would be established in taluk hospitals by building separate rooms for conducting medical tests for women patients.

Approval had been given for development of 1,329 km of road under the Karnataka State Highway Improvement Project at a cost of ₹440 crore.

Land for Trust

The Cabinet granted 35.33 acres for Jana Seva Trust at Kurubarahalli (near Tavarekere) in Bengaluru South Taluk.

It also granted 3.24 acres for Uttara Karnataka Sangha at Kammasandra in Dasanapura hobli in Bengaluru South for providing accommodation and other facilities for people visiting Benglauru from North Karnataka region.

Aerospace and Defence policy gets approval

It aims to attract ₹45,000 cr. investment

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

The State Cabinet on Friday approved the Karnataka Aerospace and Defence Policy 2022-27 to attract investment of ₹45,000 crore in the next five-year period and extend concessions for investors in the sector.

The policy aims at attracting more investments and to establish Karnataka as the preferred investment destination for Aerospace and Defence manufacturing and promote development of indigenous and advanced technologies.

It is also aimed at promoting development of manufacturing facility for space-related applications, and developing world class-skilled manpower. It envisages support for MSMEs in the supply chain with increased technological access to be globally competitive in the sector. The policy extended zonal-wise concessions for investors in the sector. In Bengaluru Zone, it says that the total incentives sanctioned to a unit should not exceed 40% of value of fixed assets (VFA) and and outside Bengaluru, it should not exceed 50% of VFA for a unit.

Earlier, the government formulated Aerospace and Defence Policy in 2013.

The policy said 25% of India's aircraft and spacecraft industry is based in Karnataka; and 67% of all aircraft and helicopters manufacturing for defence services is done in the State. Karnataka contributed to 65% of the country's aerospace related exports from India.

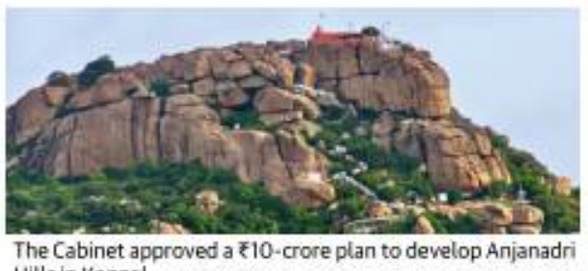
Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai had announced the proposal on Karnataka Aerospace and Defence Policy 2022-27 in the State Budget for 2022-23.

Cabinet approves scheme for funding new backward taluks

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

The Cabinet on Friday approved a new scheme for development of aspirational taluks to address regional imbalances in the State. It included 49 indicators assigned by NITI Aayog following completion of the tenure of the Special Development Plan (SDP) launched as per the D.M. Nanjundappa Committee report on regional imbalances in the State.

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J.C. Madhuswamy told reporters that owing to creation of new taluks by the State government from time to time, at present, the total number of taluks had touched 235. Of them, 40 new taluks have been created out of 114 most backward, more backward, and backward taluks. Hence, the number of taluks coming under the SDP have increased to 154.



The Cabinet approved a ₹10-crore plan to develop Anjanadri Hills in Koppal. • FILE PHOTO

For allocations of funds for new taluks separately, the Cabinet decided to revisit the SDP and officials of the Planning and Statistics Department would make plans for allocation of funds, he said.

An expenditure of ₹28,429 crore has been incurred till now under the SDP as per the recommendations of the Nanjundappa committee report. A Cabinet sub-committee was constituted to study the utilisation of funds on various development indicators such as education, health, malnutrition, drinking water, and sanitation. The Cabinet approved a ₹10-crore plan to develop Anjanadri Hills in Koppal, the Minister said.

The Cabinet approved rules framed under the Juvenile Justice Policy to provide justice for juveniles under the legal system. It aimed at providing a special treatment and protection to juvenile delinquency. It also approved a scheme for providing stipend of ₹70,000 during the skill training period for 200 candidates. About 10 institutions would be roped to upskill the youth, he said.

Savouring the moment

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar enjoying the fare at V.V. Puram food street in Bengaluru on Friday. • K. MURALI KUMAR

Faulty flags: Action will be taken, says Pralhad Joshi

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
HUBBALLI

Following complaints about faulty national flags given to municipal councillors for distribution and the Congress campaign against it, Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Pralhad Joshi has said that the municipal Commissioner has been directed to take action against the suppliers and also the officials who received them without proper checks.

Mr. Joshi told pressperson in Hubballi on Friday that the distribution of faulty flags should not be a hurdle for Har Ghar Tiranga campaign. So the officials had been directed to collect the faulty flags and give them proper flags in return. "And the faulty flags should not be sold. The Commissioner has been asked to collect details of those who supplied faulty flags and take action against them," he said.

BJP leaders Pralhad Joshi and Jagadish Shettar beat the drums during the 'Tiranga Yatra' in Hubballi on Friday. • KIRAN BAKALE

Mr. Joshi said that various programmes had been launched to provide information on lakhs of people who sacrificed their lives and spent years in various prisons during the freedom struggle.

Downpour continues in Malnad region

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
HASSAN

Several parts of the Malnad region reeived moderate to heavy rains on Friday. Schools remained closed in Mudigere and Sakaleshpur taluk due to incessant downpour. The road connectivity to many villages in Shivamogga and Chikkamagaluru has been affected badly.

State's highest rainfall of 179.5 mm was recorded at Melinabesige in Hosanagar taluk of Shivamogga on the day.Shivamogga district recorded an average rainfall of 38 mm on Friday, against the normal of 24. Hassan received 18 mm of rainfall against the normal of 7 mm. Many parts of Sakaleshpur received very heavy rains.

Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shobha Karandlaje, on Friday, visited Talagodu village in Mudigere taluk, where two women had died after a tree fell on a house during heavy rains on Tuesday night.

'30 cases to be withdrawn'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J.C. Madhuswamy said the Cabinet subcommittee will be looking into withdrawal of 30 cases registered against individuals for their participation in various protests and strikes since 2019.

Mr. Madhuswamy said the panel would go by merit of the case and recommend withdrawal. The cases would not be withdrawn on the basis of political parties and organisations.

Cong. plaint: Nagesh denies disrespecting national flag

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
MYSURU

Minister for Primary and Secondary Education B.C. Nagesh on Friday denied showing disrespect to the tricolour.

Fielding reporters queries on the complaint lodged against him by the Youth Congress in Tiptur, Mr. Nagesh said he was holding the national flag and the photographs and videos appearing in mainstream media would hold a mirror to the truth.

He accused the Congress of using a distorted photograph to lodge a complaint against him. "What I was holding was the national flag. I don't know what was behind me," he said. He claimed that the Congress leaders did not even know the colours of the national flag properly.

Reacting to former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's question over the BJP's contribution to the country's independence, Mr. Nagesh said the Congress that participated in the freedom movement was different from the present-day Congress. Though Mahatma Gandhi had said that the Congress be dissolved after the country's independence, a few people retained the party for their selfish and political purposes.

While leaders of the pre-Independence Congress went to jail for the sake of the country's freedom, no leader of the present-day Congress had either participated in the freedom struggle or sent to jail. "The present-day Congress leaders had gone to jail for different reasons that I don't want to spell out," he said.

OBITUARY & REMEMBRANCE

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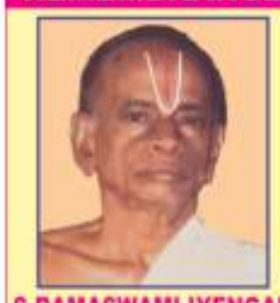

S.RAMASWAMI IYENGAR
13/8/1922 - 25/8/2001
Retd. Typist, Municipal Office, Mayuram & Founder, Sri Venkatesa Typewriting Institute, Mayuram

Sadly remembered by
Sons, Daughters-in-law, Daughter, Son-in-law, Grand and Great Grand Children.

DEATH

SHRI.P.K.ANANTHA NARAYANAN (RAMU) aged 80, Retd. SBI , Coimbatore passed away on 6th Aug – Saturday in CBE. Dasathu on 15th Aug Monday & Subham on 18th Aug Thursday in CBE Home. With Love – Mrs. Lakshmy Narayanan & Family, CBE – 9894443706, 9566110500, 9940099568.

Office of District Health and Family Welfare Office, Kolar
K.N.T.B. Sanitorium Compound, Bangarpet Road, Kolar-563102

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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited for providing Man Power on Contract Basis (Outsource) for the District Health Society, Kolar for the financial year 2022-23 pertaining to National Health Mission and its programs. **(1)** Tender are invited based on the Karnataka Transparency Act (KTPP) 1999-2000 through E-Procurement only. **(2)** Bidders has to login through E-Procurement portal Karnataka to apply. **(3)** Tender process starts from **10.08.2022 to 30.08.2022, 5,00 p.m.** Interested can Download the tender document and apply with in the stipulated time described. **(4)** Tender Fee and EMD Fee has to be uploaded mandatorily to the e-Procurement portal. **(5)** Last date for loading tender documents to the portal is on **30.08.2022 within 5.00 p.m. (6)** Details regarding tender please visit **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** For more information contact District RCH Officer, Kolar. Visiting time within working hours.

Sd/- District Health and Family Welfare Officer, Kolar Dist. Kolar
DIPR/Kolar/R.O. No.249/MC&A/2022-23

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Zilla Panchayat, Chikkaballapura
Office of The District Officer,
Backward Classes Welfare Department,
Chikkaballapura District, Chikkaballapura. District Administration Bhavan,
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e-mail: dobcmchikkaballapura@gmail.com

No.: BCWD/CPURA/SHFST/CR-21/2022-23 Date: 08.08.2022

TENDER NOTICE

Subject: Regarding invitation of Tender through e-procurement separately Talukwar for supply of Food, Vegetable and other Items to Student Hostels of Backward Classes Welfare Department and Minorities Welfare Department of Chikkaballapura District for the year 2022-23.

Tender is invited separately Talukwar for Chikkaballapura, Chintamani and Gowribidanuru Taluks and Short-Term Tender is invited separately Talukwar for Bagepalli, Gudibande and Shidlaghatta Taluks through e-procurement for supply of Food, Vegetable and other Items to Student Hostels of Backward Classes Welfare Department and Minorities Welfare Department of Chikkaballapura District for the year 2022-23. Details of the time period fixed for the said Tender Process is as below.

Sl. No.	Details	Short-Term Tender for Bagepalli, Gudibande and Shidlaghatta Taluks	Tender for Chikkaballapura, Chintamani and Gowribidanuru Taluks
1	Time period fixed for submission of tender through e-procurement	From 08.08.2022 to 18.08.2022, 5.00 PM	From 08.08.2022 to 08.09.2022, 5.00 PM
2	Date of Pre-bid Meeting	12.08.2022, 12.00 Noon	16.08.2022, 12.00 Noon
3	Date for submission of Sample	18.08.2022, 5.00 PM	08.09.2022, 5.00 PM
4	Date of opening Technical Tender	19.08.2022, 5.30 PM	12.09.2022, 5.30 PM
5	Date of opening Financial Tender	23.08.2022, 11.00 AM	16.09.2022, 11.00 AM

Eligible Tenderers can participate in the said Tenders through e-procurement. For further information visit website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** (Ph. No. 080-25501216, 080-25501227) and also can be obtained from District Backward Classes Department, District Administration Bhavan, # S.B.-4, 2nd Floor, Shidlaghatta Road, Chikkaballapura, Chikkaballapura District. (Office Ph. No.: 08156-277053)

Sd/- District Officer, Backward Classes Welfare Department, Chikkaballapura District, Chikkaballapura.

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IN BRIEF

'Expedite procurement of tabs for students'

GUNTUR

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy has directed the officials of School Education to expedite the procurement of tabs for the students of Classes 8 and above studying in government schools for the next academic year.

Telangana PCC ignoring me, says Venkata Reddy

HYDERABAD

Bhongir MP Komatireddy Venkata Reddy, who has been staying away from the Congress party meetings after his brother Komatireddy Rajgopal Reddy resigned from the party, has accused the party leadership of ignoring him and not inviting him to the poll preparatory meetings.

Centre to file review petition on eco-sensitive zones in SC

Sections 44A and 44E of the judgment require more clarity, says Union Minister

STAFF REPORTER
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav has said the Ministry will file a review petition in the Supreme Court urging a relook into its judgment on eco-sensitive zones.

Speaking at the observance of World Elephant Day at the Periyar Tiger Reserve in Thekkady on Friday, Mr. Yadav said the Centre would seek a review of Sections 44A and 44E of the judgment as more clarity was required on the issue.

Breathtaking view: A file photo of the Western Ghats in Kerala's Idukki district.

Protected areas

The sections pertained to the directive to notify eco-sensitive zones of minimum 1 km from the demarcated boundaries of protected areas and the exemption provided for ongoing activities within the proposed eco-sensitive zones, provided they did not figure on the 'prohibited list'.

Mr. Yadav added that a committee had been formed to adopt a 'holistic' approach on the reports of the K. Kasturirangan and Madhav Gagdil committees for the conservation of the Western Ghats.

The panel will also consider the representations submitted by the public.

Kerala's demand

Kerala Forest Minister A.K. Saseendran welcomed assurance given by the Union Minister.

Mr. Saseendran also expressed optimism that the Central government would earnestly consider the State's demand to exclude human inhabited areas from the buffer zone.

5,200-m-long flag enthrals one and all

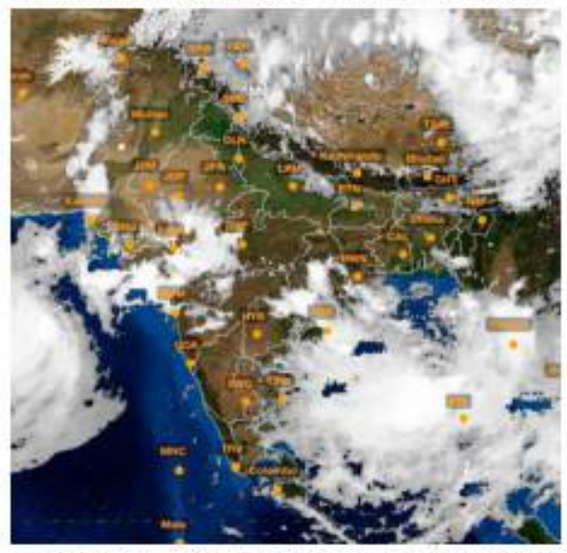
STAFF REPORTER
RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM

The State government on Friday displayed a 5,200-metre-long national flag in Rajamahendravaram marking the Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav. The tricolour was carried by students, officials and civic society representatives.

The flag was displayed for an hour along the stretch of Laala Cheruvu-Municipal Corporation office, passing through various junctions. The public extended their support in carrying the flag despite several restrictions on vehicular movement. The Jakkampudi Rammohan Foundation and Gondesi Purnachandra Reddy Charitable Trust funded the flag. Students from all the educational institutions turned up to carry the flag.

WEATHER WATCH

RAINFALL, TEMPERATURE & AIR QUALITY IN SELECT METROS YESTERDAY



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 16.00 HRS)

Forecast for Saturday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Rajasthan, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Mizoram, Sikkim, Odisha, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, central Maharashtra, Konkan & Goa, coastal Andhra Pradesh and Yanam. Thunderstorm with lightning likely at isolated places over Uttar Pradesh, sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Bihar, Vidarbha and Telangana

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	1	35.2	26.0	Kozhikode	22	32.4	23.2
Ahmedabad	1	32.7	26.4	Kurnool	–	32.8	24.6
Aizawl	12	–	21.1	Lucknow	–	33.5	26.9
Allahabad	–	32.4	26.4	Madurai	–	37.6	23.6
Bengaluru	1.9	27.1	20.1	Mangaluru	15.3	29.6	23.0
Bhopal	29.2	29.5	23.8	Mumbai	30	29.5	24.6
Bhubaneswar	6.2	28.4	25.0	Mysuru	–	29.0	21.4
Chandigarh	–	36.5	26.0	New Delhi	–	37.2	26.4
Chennai	–	36.5	29.0	Patna	1	34.0	26.2
Coimbatore	–	32.2	23.0	Port Blair	0.1	30.2	26.1
Dehradun	0.3	32.7	22.2	Puducherry	–	36.2	26.8
Gangtok	0.2	23.7	19.0	Pune	5.2	27.0	22.6
Goa	25	29.5	23.8	Raipur	8	31.5	24.6
Guwahati	–	35.5	27.0	Ranchi	52	26.8	22.8
Hubballi	–	27.0	22.0	Shillong	–	27.6	17.9
Hyderabad	0.6	30.8	22.8	Shimla	5	28.0	20.1
Imphal	–	32.0	21.6	Srinagar	–	28.9	19.5
Jaipur	1	30.8	26.5	Thiruvananthapuram	–	32.2	24.3
Kochi	1	31.0	25.4	Tiruchi	–	36.1	26.5
Kohima	1	30.2	18.4	Vijayawada	0.4	34.8	26.8
Kolkata	7	33.6	25.7	Visakhapatnam	–	32.8	27.8

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing — **Yesterday**

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	33	13	.22	23	48	
Bengaluru	7	19	.49	29	111	
Chennai	3	24	.77	28	71	
Delhi	–	30	.63	–	285	
Hyderabad	22	15	104	23	52	
Kolkata	8	16	.27	42	66	
Lucknow	7	23	.85	17	31	
Mumbai	57	11	.8	25	76	
Pune	–	38	.94	–	–	–
Visakhapatnam	12	37	.29	43	86	

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 165 indicating a moderate level of pollution. In contrast, Davanagere, Karnataka recorded a healthy AQI score of 15

Air Quality Code: Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Top court issues notice to 'Maoist leader' Roopesh

Kerala files plea against HC decision

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday issued notice to Roopesh on an appeal filed by Kerala against a State High Court decision to discharge him in cases registered under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and Section 124A (sedition) of the Indian Penal Code.

A Bench led by Justice M.R. Shah sought a response from Roopesh, who was accused of being a Maoist leader.

The High Court, in March, had allowed Roopesh's plea to quash the cases against him on the ground of irregularities in the order granting sanction for prosecution, including the violation of the seven-day deadline for sanction prescribed in the rules. The government had delayed the grant of sanction by six months, the High Court had observed.

'No application of mind'

The High Court had concluded that the sanction order of the UAPA was not brought out in time and there was no application of mind. It had said both factors had vitiated the cognisance taken by the Special Court of the cases.

Roopesh was accused of distributing pamphlets containing "seditious writings" in Wayanad.

Row over Jaleel's post on Kashmir

BJP demands booking of sedition case against the Kerala CPI(M) leader

STAFF REPORTER
ALAPPUZHA

Former Minister and Kerala CPI(M) leader K.T. Jaleel has landed in the soup after he described Jammu and Kashmir as "Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir" and Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK) as "Azad Kashmir."

In a lengthy Facebook post about his recent visit to Kashmir, Mr. Jaleel said the Pakistan government did not have much influence on the PoK. "The part of Kashmir annexed to Pakistan was known as Azad Kashmir. Pakistan only controls currency and military in the area. The Pakistan government does not possess much power in the PoK," Dr. Jaleel said.

K.T. Jaleel

He further said the "Indian Occupied Kashmir" consisted of Jammu, Kashmir Valley and Ladakh. Referring to the security situation in the Valley, Mr. Jaleel said Kashmir's face was not bright enough and soldiers with guns could be seen everywhere. The people of Kashmir had forgotten to laugh. The former Minister suggested that the people of the region were unhappy with the abrogation of Article 370 by the Centre, which revoked Jammu and Kashmir's special status.

Criticising the post, BJP Kerala president K. Surendran said Mr. Jaleel should be booked for sedition. Referring to Mr. Jaleel, who is also an MLA, the BJP leader said people should not expect anything other than anti-Indian remarks from the former Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) leader. "His remarks are against the integrity and sovereignty of the country. His statements are against the Constitution of India. He has lost the right to continue as MLA," Mr. Surendran said while urging the Communist Party of India (Marxist) [CPI (M)] to make its stance clear on the issue.

Meanwhile, CPI(M) State secretary Kodiyeri Balakrishnan said that he was yet to read Mr. Jaleel's post.

A native of Tirur in Malappuram, Mr. Jaleel joined the SIMI in the late 1980s. After severing ties with the SIMI, he joined the Muslim Students Federation and later worked in the Indian Union Youth League. After his ouster from the Youth League following differences with the leadership in 2005, Dr. Jaleel sided with the Left and enjoyed the confidence of Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.

Malé-bound Go First flight makes emergency landing

Aircraft rerouted to Coimbatore after message from Kochi

STAFF REPORTER
COIMBATORE

A Go First flight from Bengaluru to Malé made an emergency landing at Coimbatore International Airport due to smoke warning detected on the aircraft on Friday noon.

According to the airport authorities, the aircraft, G8 43 with 92 passengers on board, landed safely at Coimbatore airport at 12:57 hours.

The Airbus A320 aircraft was parked on an apron and the pilot reported that all operations were normal, they said.

Officials said that the pilot called "Mayday" while crossing Coimbatore airspace. The aircraft was flying through upper airspace of Coimbatore and the distress call was attended by the Air Traffic Control (ATC) of the Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL).

As the nearest airport was Coimbatore, CIAL ATC passed the message to Coimbatore ATC and the aircraft was rerouted to Coimbatore.

Coimbatore ATC declared full emergency and all precautions were taken. Fire tenders were positioned at pre-determined positions to act swiftly in case of an emergency.

"While reporting to Coimbatore ATC, the pilot issued a "pan-pan" call, downgrading the emergency from the "Mayday" call," said an official.

The aircraft descended and landed at Coimbatore airport smoothly and the pilot reported all operations were normal.

Technical staff checked the aircraft and found that the smoke warning went off due to a technical glitch. Sources at the airport said that the flight may resume the journey to Malé in the evening.

A.P. on alert as Godavari nears third warning level

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM

The Godavari flood level is inching close to the third warning level affecting the entire Godavari delta and the tribal pockets on the Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Chhattisgarh borders upstream of Polavaram irrigation project.

At least 24 tribal habitations along the river Godavari have been affected in Eluru district of Andhra Pradesh. "Four relief camps are operating accommodating 1,200 affected people on Friday," K.R. Puram ITDA Project Officer G. Sunil Kumar said.

At Bhadrachalam, the water level was 52 feet on Friday night. The third warning would be issued when the level touches 53 feet. The Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (APSDMA) predicts that the flood water from Bhadrachalam would reach Dowleswaram within 23 hours.

At Polavaram irrigation project, the outflow was 12.17 lakh cusecs. At Sir Arthur Cotton Barrage at Dowleswaram, the inflow was 13.75 lakh and same was being discharged.

NDRF deployed

The APSDMA said in a press release that three teams of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) had been deployed at Kunavaram, P. Gannavaram and Jangareddigudem. The 60-member team was on alert.

As many as 118 personnel from the State Disaster Response Force had also been deployed for relief and rescue operations.

From the Chhattisgarh end, the Sabari remains in spate, flooding the Chintoor Agency between Chintoor and V.R. Puram in Alluri Sitarama Raju district.

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that my clients have agreed to purchase the Schedule property from its owner **Sri Praveen Chhajer** S/o Sri. Ashok Kumar Chhajer, residing at No.240/7, Flat No.008, 'Mars Meadows Apartment, 60ft Main Road, BEML Layout, 5th Stage, R.R.Nagar, Bangalore– 560098.

If any person/s have any manner of right, title, interest or claim or charge or lien over the Schedule property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for sale of the Schedule property by the aforesaid owner, they are hereby called upon to file their objections in writing, along with the photocopies of documents on which they rely, with the undersigned, within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objectionis received thereafter will not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the **Industrial plot bearing No.9** (carved out of the converted land bearing **Sy.No.3/3**), admeasuring 15,000 Sq.ft., situated at **Chikkalluru Venkatapura Village, Tavarekere Hobli,** Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on:

East by : Road
West by : Site No.26 & 27
North by : Site No.10
South by : Site No.8

Sd/- Goutam Chand S.F
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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, my clients have agreed to purchase the Schedule property from its owners: Smt.Lakshmamma W/o late M.Nanjundappa and her sons namely (i) Sri.N.Ashwathanarayana, (ii) Sri.N.Manjunath and (iii) Sri.N.Girish Kumar, represented by their registered GPA holder: Sri.Vimal Jain, residing at No.459, 4th floor, 12th Main, Near Post Office, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore - 560040.

If any person/s have any manner of right, title, interest or claim or charge or lien over the Schedule property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for sale of the Schedule property by the aforesaid owners, they are hereby called upon to file their objections in writing, along with the photocopies of documents on which they rely, with the undersigned, within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE

Item No.1:
All that piece and parcel of the Industrial plot bearing **No.13** (carved out of the converted land bearing Sy.No.4/2), admeasuring 10,500 Sq.ft., situated at Chikkalluru Venkatapura Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on:

East by : Road
West by : Site No.22
North by : Site No.14
South by : Site No.12

Item No.2:
All that piece and parcel of the Industrial plot bearing **No.38** (carved out of the converted land bearing Sy.No.3/2), admeasuring 16,950 Sq.ft., situated at Chikkalluru Venkatapura Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on:

East by : Site No.7 & 8
West by : Road
North by : Site No.27
South by : Site No.29

Sd/- Goutam Chand S.F
Advocate
Goutam Associates
No.60, 2nd Floor, Kanakapura Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore – 560 004

Government of Karnataka
(PWD Division Raichur)
Executive Engineer Public works department division Raichur
Telephone No. : 08532–225778 & 234747

PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2021-22/2408 Date: 08-08-2022

e-Procurement Short Term Tender Notification -(KW- 1, 2, 3 & 4)

1. Notification No & Date PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2021-22/2408 Date: 08-08-2022 2. Name of work's Raichur District Total 22 work's Raichur, Manvi, Deodurga, Lingasugur & Sindhanur taluk Different types of roads, Building and other development works. 3. Amount of works Min Rs. 1329454.27 Max Rs. 29196557.78 4. EMD Amount Min Rs. 26600.00 Max Rs. 438000.00 5. Period (including Manson) Min 4 (Four) Months Max 9 (Nine) Months 6. Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tender 22 08/2022 16:00:00 7. Date and Time for Opening of Tender 23/08/2022 16:30:00For More details visit this website https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
PWD Division, RAICHUR.

DIP.Raichur/244/MAC/2022-23

PUBLIC NOTICE

BE KNOWN TO ALL that my client intend to purchase the residential property bearing Site No.215, measuring East to West 39 feet and 6 inches or 12 meters and North to South 30 feet or 9.11 meters, along with 905 Sq ft residential building, in the layout formed by REMCO Industrial Workers Housing Co-operative Society Ltd, situated at : **Kempapura Agrahara, Hosahally, Bangalore-560040,** which bounded on the: **East by: Site No.381, west by: 30 feet Road, North by: Site No.216 and South by: Site No.214,** from its owner **Dr.Subhas Chandra Chakravarty,** S/o.Sachindra Chandra Chakravarty. If any person entity has any claim/objection in the matter of the intended sale of the said property or any part, thereof, such a person submit his/her claim/objection with documentary proof thereof to the undersigned in writing within **Ten (10) days** from the date of this notice, failing which it would be presumed that there is no claims/objections and our client shall proceed with the purchase of the said property from the owner.

K.V. PREMA KUMARI B.A.,L.L.B
Advocate
(Roll No. KAR/943/2000, Dt: 07/04/2000)
No.25, O.M.Chambers, BEML Lyt, 3rd Stage, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560098

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that our client intends to purchase **Western Portion of Site No.4,** Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No. 213/158/34/4-4/1, measuring **East to West 36 feet** and **North to South 50 feet,** in all measuring **1800 Sq.feet,** formed in Property No.34/4 of Nagawara Village, Erannapalya, Nagawara Dhakle, Kasaba Hobli, Govindapura Village Road, Bangalore North Taluk and bounded on the

East by : Eastern Portion of Site No.4 belonging to Mr.Madassir.H and Mr.Zubair Basha;
West by : Property of Mr.Jeraldin;
North by : Property of Mr.S.Thomas
South by : Road;

From the Owners **Mr.S.Raja** son of Mr.Sait and **Mr.Johnson.D** son of Mr.B.David

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections/ claims with documentary evidence within **10 days** from the date of publication to the undersigned.

PRASHANTH VIJAYALAKSHMI & ASSOCIATES, Advocates,
No.162, 1st Floor, Next to Kanthi Sweets, 2nd Main Kasturinagar, Bangalore – 560043.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that our client intends to purchase Site No 907, bearing BBMP Khata Sl.No.909 (old Site No.907) New No.909, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 50 feet, formed in Sy.No. 115/1,116 to 121,122/1 & 2, 124/1, 3, 125 & 131, 3 of Kundalahalli and Sy.No. 39 to 43 of Chinnapanahalli Village, KR Puram Hobli and Sy.No. 8 and 73 of Tubarahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk in the layout formed by the Aircraft Employees Co-operative Society Ltd., bounded on the:

East by : Site No 906;
West by : Site No 908;
North by : Site No 878;
South by : Road;

From its Owner **Mr. George Verghese and another**

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections / claims with documentary evidence within **7 days** from the date of this publication, to the undersigned.

Geetha Halliyal, Advocate
42 High Street, No.775, 2nd Floor, 100 feet Road, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560038, Ph:9980519476
Bangalore Date: 12.08.2022

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY APPELLATE TRIBUNAL CHENNAI
I.A. No. 494 of 2021
against
R.A. No. 25 of 2021
On the file of Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore

The Asst. General Manager
Indian Bank, Jayanagar Branch,
Bangalore-560 041. ...**Applicant**

- Versus -

1.Canara Bank, (e-Syndicate bank) Banashankari Main Branch
8" Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560070
Represented by its Chief Manager, Sri.Ashok Kumar.P.S
2.Sri.Syed Kareem,
S/o.Sri.Syed Hussain
No.1862, 18th 'B' Main, 4th 'T' Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560 041.
3.Mrs.Nasreen Taj,
W/o.Sri.Syed Kareem R,
At No.1862, 18th 'B' Main, 4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560 041.
4.Sri.Abdul Rahaman Khateeb,
S/o.Sri. Khutubuddin,
No.26, 1st 'B' Main, 2nd Cross, Cholur Palya Magadi Road, Bangalore.
5.Mr.Nagaraja.S, S/o.Mr.Manjunath
No.32, 8th Cross, Pukhraj Layout R.D.Nagar, B.G Road, Bangalore-560030. ...**Respondents**

NOTICE

I.A. No.494/2021 in R.A.No.25 of 2021 before DRAT Chennai. Appeal filed by Indian Bank (e-Allahabad Bank)

Please take notice in the above **I.A. No.494/2021** for substitution filed by the appellant regarding with merger of banks. The Hon'ble Chair Person was pleased to allow the above petition on **09.08.2021.** The amendment was duly carried out and amended petition also filed. Therefore on **08.08.2022,** the Hon'ble Tribunal was pleased to order notice to 2nd, 3rd and 4th of you **returnable by 24.08.2022** in the above **I.A.No.494/2021** for substitution.

Please take notice that the above appeal is posted for your appearance in person or by duly authorized agent or Advocate on **24.08.2022 at 10.30 a.m.,** before Hon'ble Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal at 7th Floor, Shastri Bhawan, Additional Office Building, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006 without fail, otherwise the matter will be determined exparte in your absence.

Yours faithfully
S.PANDURANGAN
Advocate
245/5, Rohini Flats, Anna Nagar West Extn, Chennai-600 101.
Cell No.98840 36374

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mr. Mihir Kumar, S/o. Mr. Jay Chandra Jha is intending to purchase of the schedule property mentioned hereunder for a valuable consideration with its owners Mr. J. Anthony Raj, S/o. Late Joseph and his children and Wife, all residing at Kalena Agrahara Village, SOS Post, Bangalore-560076.

If any persons, banks, financial intuitions etc., having any claims, right, title and interest whatsoever over the schedule property may forward their objections to the undersigned in writing with supporting documents of your such claims, within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which it will be deemed that there are no claims, right, title and interest by anybody and my client will proceed for completion of sale transaction and thereafter no claims will be considered.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential Apartment bearing Flat No. B-G8, measuring 1230 Sq. Ft. of SBA in the Ground Floor of the apartment Building "C.V.K. NEENAKSHI ELEGANCE" constructed in the Land bearing Sy. No. 23, situated at Kleenagrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on : East by : Lands of Sy. No. 24, West by : Lands of Sy. No. 27, North by : Road, South by : Lands of Sy. No. 27

MANJUNATHA & ASSOCIATES
K. N. MANJUNATHA CHARY, ROOPA. B, & B.N. JAGADISH KUMAR, Advocates,
 # 96, 1st Floor, 1st Main, 4th Cross, Maruthi Nagar, Madiwala, Bangalore-560068
Mob: 9845985626, 7406900832
BANGALORE, DATE : 12-08-2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Sri Rajesh M S** intends to purchase the property morefully described in the schedule hereunder from its current owner **Sri R. Shamsundar** who purchased from **Mrs. Uma Rao** during the year 2001 vide registered doc No 1724 at pages 1 to 24 of Book 1, if any party/ person/s have any claim, rights, title, share, interest or objections should lodge such claims in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within fifteen (15) days from this notice. Objections/claims if any are not received within the stipulated period, my client will proceed to complete the sale transaction as if the property is free of encumbrances and no other party/person/s has got any rights, title, or interest.

Schedule property bearing # N-106, 1st floor, North block, Manipal Center, Dickenson Road, Bengaluru having SBU area 527 sq.ft and 144.17 sq.ft undivided share in the land.

Address : **Shivaram A R, Advocate,** #670, 6th cross, 3rd block, Koramangala, Bengaluru - 34, **Email-shivaram.a.r@hotmail.com or Mobile 9845198341**

COFMOW (INDIAN RAILWAYS)

E-TENDER NOTICE No.03, DATED: 13.08.2022

PCMM/COFMOW,s Office invites e-Bids for the following STORES Tenders:

Tender No.	Brief Description	Closing Date
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OP-633010	Electric Overhead Travelling Crane, Cap-10 & 15 Ton.	29.08.2022
OP-911970	Bogie Load Testing Machine.	30.08.2022
OP-207910	Electric Overhead Travelling Crane, Cap-20,25 & 30 Ton.	05.09.2022
OP-910971	Universal Testing Machine, 20 Ton.	06.09.2022
OP-809671	Air Spring Testing Equipment (On Turnkey Basis)	06.09.2022
OP-111650	Hydraulic Presses.	08.09.2022
OP-610510	Hydraulic Re-Railing Equipment.	12.09.2022

Bidders may visit the website **www.ireps.gov.in** to download the tender document and submit their e-Bids. No manual offers shall be accepted.

CORRIGENDUM. DATED: 13.08.2022

Following corrigenda have been issued to e-Tenders already uploaded on the website **www.ireps.gov.in:**

Tender No.	Corrigendum No.	Closing Date
OP-110880	Corrigendum No.02	16.08.2022
OP-111350	Corrigendum No.02	17.08.2022
OP-609672	Corrigendum No.02 & 03	18.08.2022
OP-809931	Corrigendum No.04	22.08.2022
OP-110462	Corrigendum No.01	23.08.2022
OP-207511	Corrigendum No.02	31.08.2022

Bidders may visit the website to download the details mentioned in the corrigendum and submit e-Bids accordingly.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri. Mr. P. Ramesh Resident of No. 12 Near Rama murthy nagar Police Station Ramaiah Reddy Layout, Doorvaani Nagara Ramamurthy Nagara , Bangalore-560016, intends to purchase schedule property from M/s. Nandi constructive, having its office at No.95/3, 3rd Floor, Gowtami Arcade, Marath Halli, K R Puram Ring Road, Doddanekkundi, Bangalore-560037. In respect of below mentioned schedule property. Any person claiming to have any charge, lien, interest, minor claims, right/s whatsoever over the schedule property may lodge their claim to the undersigned with documentary proof on or before 17.08.2022 failing which my clients will treat that there are no objections or claims in respect of the schedule property. No claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Row House bearing **No.14,** in the project known as **"NANDI PRIDE"** constructed in the Schedule 'A' Property with a built-up area of **2807 Square Feet,** consisting of Ground, First and Second floor, along with covered parking space, including proportionate share in common areas in the Row Housing project and having UDS 1960 sq.ft constructed on Sy.No.89, having BBMP Khata No.09, situated at Horamavu Village, 9th Main, Maninaidu Layout, Hoysala Nagara, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore. The said Row House bearing **No.14,** is bounded on the;

East by : Unit No. 12; West by : Unit No.16; North by : Unit No.13; South by : Corridor.

VEMURI SRINIVAS
BHAGAWATHI ASSOCIATES
Advocate & Consultants
Thulasi Theatre Road, Near SBR Palace, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560 037.
Mail: Vanadevocate37@gmail.com
Mobile : 9243110037 Date 12.08.2022

No holds barred

India must continue to try to designate terrorists and not lose faith in the process

By choosing to place a "technical hold" on the joint India-U.S. proposal to designate Jaish-e-Mohammad deputy chief Rauf Asghar a global terrorist on the United Nations Security Council 1267 Committee listing, China has swung another blow to its ties with India, which are already at a fragile point. Despite 16 rounds of military commander talks at the Line of Actual Control, India and China have failed to resolve the standoff that began with the PLA amassing troops, and transgressions along the LAC in April 2020. The two sides sparred in the maritime sphere this week, after India made its concerns over the proposed docking of a Chinese satellite tracking ship at Sri Lanka's Hambantota port clear to the Sri Lankan government. And while bilateral trade has recovered from the COVID-19 downturn, Chinese technology majors in India are being raided by the Enforcement Directorate and Income Tax authorities under suspicion of a range of financial crimes. At a time when bilateral trust is already in such deficit comes China's decision to stop an important terror listing, just two months after Beijing similarly stopped the designation of Lashkar-e-Taiba deputy chief Abdul Rahman Makki. To take such measures on an issue that it knows India has always been extremely serious about, given the number of major attacks perpetrated on Indians by the LeT and JeM, right from the 1990s, is insensitive at the least, but part of an unfortunate pattern by China, which has held up several such listings in the past. Asghar is wanted for his role in freeing his brother Masood Azhar in the most dastardly way, by organising the hijack of Indian Airlines flight IC-814, and holding nearly 200 civilians hostage on the Kandahar tarmac, and other attacks. He is now reportedly in Pakistani prison, convicted on terror-related charges, and is on both the U.S.'s and India's domestic 'most wanted terrorist' lists.

It is important, however, for India to persevere with attempts to designate both Makki and Asghar, as well as other terrorists responsible for attacks on Indians, without losing faith in the process. One option is to keep the international pressure up, and garner more co-sponsors for the listing, which was reportedly approved by 14 of 15 UNSC members. Another would be to work on changing 1267 Committee procedures, so that they don't allow one country to hold back such important terror listings without due cause. A third may even be to open dialogues with both China and Pakistan bilaterally on the issue, leveraging Pakistan's need to be removed from the FATF grey list later this year as well as China's interest in Pakistan's economic recovery, to ensure the listings are accomplished. Eventually, if the goal behind the UNSC listings is to ensure that perpetrators of terrorist acts are held accountable, the emphasis must be on working through all avenues.

Never-ending fight

Free speech is constantly under threat from religious and caste groups

In quashing a criminal case against actor Suriya and director T.J. Gnanavel, the Madras High Court has spared them the ordeal of facing vexatious proceedings for allegedly insulting a section of society in the acclaimed film *Jai Bhim*. The FIR cited Section 295A of the IPC, a provision that makes it a crime to commit "deliberate and malicious acts intended to outrage religious feelings" on the basis of a complaint that the film insulted the Vanniyar community. A magistrate had forwarded the complaint to the police for the registration of a first information report by concluding that it disclosed a "cognisable offence". The High Court has rightly concluded that the magistrate had acted mechanically as the order did not even mention what offence was made out in the complaint. In this case, it is quite strange that a perceived insult to a caste was seen as outraging "religious" feelings. It indicates the perfunctory manner in which caste and religion can be conflated with one another by those claiming to be hurt or insulted by others. The court has noted that except for a contention that the film was made in a manner that is likely to incite violence and hostility towards a particular community, there was no specific instance stated in the FIR.

The casual resort to criminal prosecution for perceived insults to religion or any other social segment has become an unfortunate feature of contemporary life. Some years ago, the Supreme Court had to intervene to quash a criminal complaint against cricket star Mahendra Singh Dhoni for being featured in the likeness of a deity on the cover of a magazine. Section 295A has been interpreted by a Constitution Bench in 1957 to the effect that it only "punishes the aggravated form of insult to religion" when something is done with a deliberate and malicious intention to outrage the religious feelings of a class. However, in practice, groups and individuals use some imagined slight to themselves as a pretext to infringe the right to freedom of speech and expression by objecting to films, plays and public performances. In many cases, the police tend to give greater credence to such complaints than they deserve and cite the possibility of a disruption of law and order to clamp down on the screening or performance rather than protect free speech. Constitutional courts do intervene time and again to protect freedom of expression, but often such relief comes after a delay. Books have been pulped and performances and lectures have been cancelled based on threats and complaints more often than needed. These developments can only mean that the fight for free speech has to be fought anew from time to time.

Independence, in the words of an American

The power of that magical moment when India became free, which Mildred Talbot recorded, must never be forgotten

SHASHI THAROOR

Independent India will turn 75 on Sunday, under the helm of an Adivasi President and a Gujarati Prime Minister, who, in their addresses to the nation (as yet undelivered as I write these words), will give voice to the extraordinary civilisational ethos of our country that they themselves personify. It is a very special moment in the history of this ancient land, one we are all privileged to be living through.

A rare privilege

My mind turns this week, though, to another very special moment 75 years ago – the moment of India's celebrated "freedom at midnight". I am privileged to have seen a remarkable document, a letter written on August 27, 1947 by a young American woman, Mildred Talbot, who had the rare privilege of being present at the Independence ceremonies of both India and Pakistan. Mildred, the wife of the admirable journalist, diplomat and Indophile, Phillips Talbot, died in 2004 at the age of 89. But she had agreed that I could share with others her first-hand impressions of the day, and I do so in homage to the occasion whose anniversary we all commemorate today.

Mildred's seven-page, single-spaced typed letter is a personal reminiscence of the sights, sounds and encounters, not a political analysis (she left that to her husband, who was covering events for the Chicago Daily News). In sending me her "simple, unsophisticated account", she mentioned that she had put her impressions down while they were still fresh "to get them out of [her] system" – only then, she wrote, did sleep become possible again. (It is striking that someone who, by nationality, had no direct emotional stake in the events she witnessed still found them so exciting that thoughts of what she had seen kept her awake for two weeks.)

From Karachi to Delhi

I shall skip past her account of the Karachi ceremony – which took place on August 13-14 within eyeshot of a bronze statue of Mahatma Gandhi in a nearby circle – though some of her irreverent comments are worth quoting even now ("Jinnah, whose smile muscles seem to be permanently out of order..."). Karachi was still a Hindu-majority city, and large sections of the population were understandably subdued at Partition. Delhi's mood was altogether more joyous. The Talbots arrived at the Constituent Assembly just in time after a hair-raising journey from Pakistan on the afternoon of August 14. Mildred describes Jawaharlal Nehru's famous "Tryst with destiny" speech, recounts the now-forgotten exuberance of a delegate who marred the decorum of the occasion by shouting a cheer for the Mahatma, and then tells a story I have not come across elsewhere:

"At the moment when the clock was chiming the [midnight] hour there was a rude interruption which startled everyone. A conch shell was blown long and loudly from the rear of the hall. Involuntarily every head turned... It was revealing to witness the [...] relief [...] when they saw that it was one

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of the most highly respected members of the Assembly, a devout Hindu, simply invoking the gods to witness this ceremony... I happened to spot Nehru just as he was turning away, trying to hide a smile by covering his mouth with his hand." The first harbinger of a Hindutva renaissance, or a simple reaffirmation of an ancient culture?

Mildred describes the pressure of the throngs outside the Assembly clamouring for a glimpse of their idol, Nehru, whom the police obliged "to slip out by a back entrance". (As an American democrat, she was struck by the fact that when the crowds got out of hand, it was the VIP who changed his plans. As an Indian three-quarters of a century later, I know it would be the other way around today.)

There are numerous fascinating vignettes in her letter of the next morning's Independence Day events: of Nehru's horror at seeing a horse fall (he only turned his attention back to the ceremony when he saw the horse rise again and move); of the U.S. Ambassador's irritation that U.S. President Harry S. Truman's cable of congratulations had been omitted when other leaders' greetings were read (it turned out that it had been misplaced); of Louis Mountbatten's demeanour of "sincere pleasure", a sharp contrast with his stiffness in Karachi ("Here he was relaxed and at home among friendly companions... his good wishes were obviously heartfelt.") Mildred's harrowing account of the evening's ceremony, ruined by rain and by 5,00,000 people turning out for an event planned for 25,000, is too long to summarise here, but for one detail: amidst the chaos, Indira Gandhi looked "woebegone and bedraggled. Her sari was torn, her hair straggling, her fingernails ruined. And she was one of the dignitaries!"

When the flag was raised

But the highlight of Mildred's account is of the morning of August 15, 1947 when the national flag was raised over the Council Hall: "The multitudes had gathered as far as the eye could see in the two-mile-long parkway approach to the Secretariat, on tops of buildings, in windows, on cornices, in trees, perched everywhere like so many birds. The raising of that first flag was the single most thrilling experience of the entire celebration.... The first who spotted it pointed like eager children; others... looked up and tried to push their way to a vantage point so they too could see this miracle. For a few minutes there was almost a subdued hush over the whole crowd; then a soft bass undertone slowly swelled until, perhaps when the flag reached the top... there was a breathtaking roar of cheering, shouting, and excited cries which others said penetrated to the hall inside and made their spines tingle. While I was being stirred by the sheer power and grandeur of the spectacle... the Indians either stood mute, immersed in their own overwhelming thoughts, or were shouting almost uncontrollably. It was a grand emotional experience that left most of us with shaky voices or complete inability to speak."

These are the words not of an Indian nationalist but of a young American woman. Mildred wrote to an American friend two weeks after witnessing that first flag-raising: "The memory of the feelings that surged up within us as we watched their [i.e. the Indian masses'] excitement and awe still brings tears to my eyes." Seventy-five years later, the memories of that first Independence Day have faded in all but a minuscule percentage of our population. But the power of that magical moment when India became free, and the hopes raised of what we would make of that freedom, must never be forgotten.

Today we contemplate a different India, when the hopes of that midnight moment are sought to be transmuted by rising intolerance and increasingly belligerent majoritarianism, to a very different idea of what this land is all about. And yet, re-reading Mildred's letter makes August 15, for me, a day to remember that original moment, and to rededicate ourselves to its promise. It is the promise of an inclusive, pluralist, democratic and just India – the India that Mahatma Gandhi fought to free. As the nation celebrates the sweet nectar of an "Amrit Mahotsav", let us not forget that original vision. It is one that every Indian can still do his or her own part to fulfil.

Shashi Tharoor is the Sahitya Akademi award-winning author of 22 books, including most recently 'Pride, Prejudice and Punditry: The Essential Shashi Tharoor'. He is the third-term Lok Sabha MP for Thiruvananthapuram

Moving policy away from population control

India's focus should be on investment in human capital, on older adults living with dignity, and on healthy population ageing

ADITI CHAUDHARY & NANDLAL MISHRA

The United Nations' World Population Prospects (WPP), 2022, forecasts India becoming the most populous country by 2023, surpassing China, with a 140 crore population. This is four times the population India had at the time of Independence in 1947 (34 crore). Now, at the third stage of the demographic transition, and experiencing a slowing growth rate due to constant low mortality and rapidly declining fertility, India has 17.5% of the world's population. As per the latest WPP, India will reach 150 crore by 2030 and 166 crore by 2050.

A sea change

In its 75-year journey since Independence, the country has seen a sea change in its demographic structure. In the 1960s, India had a population growth rate of over 2%. At the current rate of growth, this is expected to fall to 1% by 2025. However, there is a long way to go for the country to achieve stability in population. This is expected to be achieved no later than 2064 and is projected to be at 170 crore (as mentioned in WPP 2022).

Last year, India reached a significant demographic milestone as, for the first time, its total fertility rate (TFR) slipped to two, below the replacement level fertility (2.1 children per woman), as per the National Family Health Survey. However, even after reaching the replacement level of fertility, the population will continue to grow for three to four decades owing to the population momentum (large cohorts of women in their reproductive age groups). Post-Independence, in the 1950s, India had a TFR of six. Several States have reached a TFR of two except for Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Manipur and Meghalaya. All these States face bottlenecks in achieving a low TFR. These include high illiteracy levels, rampant child marriage, high levels of under-five mortality rates, a low workforce participation of women, and low contraceptive usage compared to other States. A majority of women in these States do not have much of an economic or decisive say in their lives. Without ameliorating the status of women in society (quality of life), only lopsided development is achievable .

Demographic dividend

A larger population is perceived to mean greater human capital, higher economic growth and improved standards of living. In the last seven decades, the share of the working age population has grown from 50% to 65%, resulting in a remarkable decline in the dependency ratio (number of children and elderly persons per working age population). As in the WPP 2022, India will have one of the largest workforces globally, i.e., in the next 25 years, one in five working-age group persons will be living in India. This working-age bulge will keep growing till the mid-2050s, and India must make use of it. However, there are several obstacles to harnessing this demographic dividend. India's labour force is constrained by the absence of women from the workforce; only a fourth of women are employed. The quality of educational attainments is not up to the mark, and the country's workforce badly lacks the basic skills required for the modernised job market. Having the largest population with one of the world's lowest employment rates is another enormous hurdle in reaping the 'demographic dividend'.

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Another demographic concern of independent India is the male-dominant sex ratio. In 1951, the country had a sex ratio of 946 females per 1,000 males. After aggressively withstanding the hurdles that stopped the betterment of sex ratios such as a preference for sons and sex-selective abortions, the nation, for the first time, began witnessing a slightly improving sex ratio from 1981. In 2011, the sex ratio was 943 females per 1,000 males; by 2022, it is expected to be approximately 950 females per 1,000 males. It is a shame that one in three girls missing globally due to sex selection (both pre-and post-natal), is from India – 46 million of the total 142 million missing girls. Improvement in sex ratio should be a priority as some communities face severe challenges from a marriage squeeze (an imbalance between the number of men and women available to marry in a specific society) and eventual bride purchase.

Life expectancy at birth, a summary indicator of overall public health achievements, saw a remarkable recovery graph from 32 years in 1947 to 70 years in 2019. It is welcome to see how several mortality indicators have improved in the last seven decades. The infant mortality rate declined from 133 in 1951 (for the big States) to 27 in 2020. The under-five mortality rate fell from 250 to 41, and the maternal mortality ratio dropped from 2,000 in the 1940s to 103 in 2019. Every other woman in the reproductive age group in India is anaemic, and every third child below five is stunted. India stands 101 out of 116 nations in the Global Hunger Index; this is pretty daunting for a country which has one of the most extensive welfare programmes for food security through the Public Distribution System and the Midday Meals Scheme.

Serious health risks

The disease pattern in the country has also seen a tremendous shift in these 75 years: while India was fighting communicable diseases post-Independence, there has been a transition towards non-communicable diseases (NCDs), the cause of more than 62% of total deaths. India is a global disease burden leader as the share of NCDs has almost doubled since the 1990s, which is the primary reason for worry. India is home to over eight crore people with diabetes. Further, more than a quarter of global deaths due to air pollution occur in India alone. With an increasingly ageing population in the grip of rising NCDs, India faces a serious health risk in the decades ahead. In contrast, India's health-care infrastructure is highly inadequate and inefficient. Additionally, India's public health financing is low, varying between 1% and 1.5% of GDP, which is among the lowest percentages in the world.

India is called a young nation, with 50% of its population below 25 years of age. But the share of India's elderly population is now increasing and is expected to be 12% by 2050. After 2050, the elderly population will increase sharply. So, advance investments in the development of a robust social, financial and healthcare support system for old people is the need of the hour. The focus of action should be on extensive investment in human capital, on older adults living with dignity, and on healthy population ageing. We should be prepared with suitable infrastructure, conducive social welfare schemes and massive investment in quality education and health. The focus should not be on population control; we do not have such a severe problem now. Instead, an augmentation of the quality of life should be the priority.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Unfortunate move

It is unfortunate that China has chosen to put a "technical hold" on the process of listing Rauf Asghar as a UNSC-designated terrorist ("India slams China for blocking move against JeM deputy chief", August 12). By doing so, China is thwarting global efforts to fight terrorism and making the region unsafe. This move is clearly motivated by extraneous considerations. By repeatedly employing the instrument of "technical hold", China has been indirectly encouraging international terrorist networks to flourish.

KOSARAJU CHANDRAMOULI,
Hyderabad

With its global superpower obsession increasing, China could only continue to be India's bête noire as India is the only formidable force challenging China in the neighbourhood.
The continuing stand-off at the LoAC and China's technical hold on the listing of Asghar as a UNSC-designated terrorist are all only part of China's efforts to establish itself as a 'Big Brother'. It seems like India needs to keep an eye out on China more sharply than on Pakistan.

S. SANJEEVI RAO,
Puducherry

A welcome order

The ACB was clearly not functioning impartially ("Karnataka High Court sets aside creation of Anti-Corruption Bureau", August 11). Just last month, the court had observed that "tainted officers" cannot be posted to institutions such as the ACB. When the Lokayukta is already in place, what was the need to create a separate ACB?

N. SHANTHA KUMAR,
Bengaluru

Debate over freebies

The freebie culture is rampant in India. Former Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Jayalalithaa had promised free mixers and grinders to women, laptops and even cows. The DMK government has provided free TV sets and more. The Akalis in Punjab pioneered a free-power regime. The Aam Aadmi Party swept to power on the promise of free water and electricity in Delhi. Now, the ruling party at the Centre is protesting against the freebie culture perhaps forgetting its own promises of free scooters and bicycles in Delhi, laptops for well-performing students in Assam, etc. ("Nirmala says Delhi CM is twisting freebie debate", August 12).

BIDYUT KUMAR CHATTERJEE,
Faridabad

The right call

The makers of *Jai Bhim* have been rightly vindicated by the Madras High Court ("HC quashes FIR against *Jai Bhim* director, Suriya", Aug. 12). The complainant, who had alleged that certain scenes in the film hurt the feelings of the Vanniyar community, had failed to see that it was a movie inspired by socially conscious people such as Justice Chandru, Suriya and Gnanavel who showed what socially committed people can do within the existing socio-economic order. Going to court with such a mindset shows the prevalent caste consciousness. The judge should have castigated the complainant for coming forward with such a case as it tends to promote communal feelings.

NGR PRASAD,
Chennai

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Three murders in a communal cauldron

With tempers running high among Hindutva activists in Karnataka after killings and counter-killings in Dakshina Kannada, **K.V. Aditya Bharadwaj** and **Raghava M.** report on how the government's handling of the investigations could further nourish the ecosystem of violence in the State's coastal belt

On July 27, as his car drove into Nettaru, a remote hamlet in Dakshina Kannada district of Karnataka, Nalin Kumar Kateel, the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) State chief, met with a hostile reception. Workers of his party and Sangh Parivar outfits surrounded and pushed his car, raising anti-government slogans.

It took Kateel, the area MP, nearly an hour to pacify the angry crowd after consoling the family members of Praveen Nettaru, 34, his one-time driver and a budding worker of the party's Yuva Morcha, who was hacked to death by a gang of assailants a day earlier. "What is the use of BJP being in power in both the State and the Centre if they cannot safeguard their own workers?" Praveen's mother Ratnavati told *The Hindu*.

Coming close on the heels of another BJP worker, Harsha, 28, being hacked to death in Shivamogga on February 20 this year, the murder of Praveen Nettaru seems to have unleashed a wave of anger and frustration among the Hindutva cadre base across the State. The two murders also come amid a virulent communal campaign against the Muslim community by Hindutva forces in the State - starting from hijab, which eventually expanded to halal meat, azaan, and an economic boycott of Muslims.

Police sources say Praveen was killed to avenge the murder of Mohammed Masood, 19, in Kalanja, allegedly killed by Hindutva activists. The July 26 killing was closely followed by the murder of Mohammed Fazil, 23, in Surathkal, reportedly to avenge Praveen's death - three murders in 10 days in Dakshina Kannada district, pushing the police into defensive mode.

Fearing a communal riot or more retaliatory killings, they not only imposed prohibitory orders but also a night curfew, forcing all shops to shut at 6 p.m. They also banned pillion riders on two-wheelers, a measure that drew the ire of the public and was soon withdrawn. The night curfew was in force for over 10 days, exposing the fragile law and order scenario in the coastal region. The political opposition has come down heavily on the government, terming it a "breakdown of law and order".

There has been rebellion in units of the BJP, with over 100 local office-bearers resigning, even as Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad activists barged into the residence of Home Minister Araga Jnanendra complaining of inaction against "jihadis". Even Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai was gheraoed and BJP workers openly called for a "Yogi Adityanath model of leadership" for the State, pushing him to say he would also implement the "U.P. model", while several leaders called for "encounters of jihadis", implementation of "bulldozer justice", and a ban on Islamist outfit Popular Front of India (PFI) and its affiliates. Sources said the heat of the unrest among the Sangh Parivar cadre was so intense that Union Home Minister Amit Shah flew down to Bengaluru for an official event and held talks on the sidelines with various factions to pacify them.

The chicken shop in front of which Praveen Nettaru was killed on the outskirts of Bellare town in Karnataka. (Below): The area where Mohammed Masood, 19, was allegedly killed by Hindutva activists, at Kalanja in Sullia taluk, in Dakshina Kannada. • MANJUNATH H.S.

Murder as retaliation

Hours before he was killed, Praveen had got a cost estimation done for installing CCTV cameras at the chicken shop on the outskirts of Bellare town he had opened in October 2021. "He had felt unidentified people had been moving around him," said Dinesh Chandra B. Hegde, Praveen's friend and a member of Bellare gram panchayat from the BJP.

On the fateful day of July 26, around 8.30 p.m., Praveen was about to bring down the shutters of his shop when two bike-borne assailants turned up and hacked him to death.

Vithaldas, who runs a hardware and provision store next to Praveen's and is also a member of the Bellare gram panchayat from the Congress, said most of them closed their shops around 6 p.m. as the area had been tense over the murder of a Muslim boy in Kalanja, a village nearby. It was the footage recorded by a CCTV camera at Vithaldas's shop that led to a breakthrough in the case.

The man in the footage was the first arrest in the case - Mohammed Shafiq, 27, president of the Bellare unit of the Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI), regarded as the PFI's political wing. To date, 10 persons have been arrested in the case, all of them reportedly associated with the SDPI.

Shafi Bellare, secretary of the SDPI's Karnataka unit, acknowledged that all those arrested in the case were party members but said they were being framed. Bellare police have invoked the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act and the National Investigation Agency (NIA) has joined the probe.

Interrogation of those arrested has revealed that Praveen's murder was a retaliation for the murder of Masood, multiple police sources confirmed. However, Alok Kumar, ADGP (Law and Order), said the motive for the murder was still under investigation.

Masood died of an alleged assault by a gang of Hindutva activists and history-sheeters in Kalanja on July 19, which the police have consistently claimed is not a "communal case" but the result of a trivial fight. "The gang wanted to kill some Hindutva activist in the Kalanja-Bellare belt. Praveen Nettaru was a random target. They first recced Santosh, the elder brother of Abhilash, who was the person who banged a soda bottle on Masood's head leading to his death. They recced more people and finally zeroed in on Praveen," a senior police officer overseeing the probe said.

"Shafiq's [accused of Praveen's murder] father Ibrahim came to our house asking for a job and Praveen gave him a job in his chicken shop. I even asked Praveen why he had taken a Muslim on board and he said they were poor," said Lokesh Poojary, Praveen's uncle, who is also an RSS activist.

Ibrahim no longer worked at Praveen's shop ostensibly due to an eye surgery but it is rumoured that he was sacked during the campaign against halal meat earlier this year. "Most of the [six] chicken shops in Bellare were owned by Muslims, which changed only recently with Praveen starting his," said his friend Dinesh Hegde.

Police also said Praveen played a key role in getting the contract of a fish shop in the Bellare market to Hindus, which had traditionally been run by Muslims. According to the police, he was probably chosen as a target to avenge Masood's killing as his activism had hit the Muslim community economically.

'No communal angle'

Mohammed Masood was from Kasaragod, Kerala and had been staying at his grandfather's house in Kalanja for nearly a month, painting walls with his uncle, before he was killed.

Trouble started for Masood when a Brahmin family gave him a three-month-old sick male calf that he brought home to rear, according to his elder brother Mohammed Mirshad. "He loved animals and was passionate about rearing them. He got medicines for the calf, built it a warm home, spending money when we are struggling to make ends meet," he said.

People who rear cows in the region usually give away male calves mostly to Muslims in the area, who rear them and sell them to farmers or slaughterhouses. However, there is a ban on cow slaughter in the State now, with the BJP government enacting a stringent law in 2021.

"As he took the calf to graze in the evenings, Sudhir and Shivaprasad, who lived nearby, used to taunt him, [asking] if the calf would be slaughtered during Bakrid," said his aunt Asma. The duo are associated with the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) and the Bajrang Dal.

On July 19, Masood went to the shop in the village square to buy milk, where Sudhir, 29, was reportedly in an inebriated state. "Sudhir bumped into Masood and picked up a quarrel, claiming Masood hit him. Soon the two came to blows. I separated the two and sent Masood home," said Khader, the shopkeeper.

Around 11 p.m., Sudhir had gathered his associates at the village square. Muhammed Shanif, 24, a resident of the village, saw his neighbour Sunil Kalanja among them. Kalanja, a Gau Raksha Pramukh of VHP, Sullia Prakhanda (Sullia taluk), convinced Shanif to get his friend Masood for a "settlement".

"As soon as we came, they started beating him up. I tried to shield Masood from the blows but in the melee Abhilash [a local VHP office-bearer] smashed an empty soda bottle on Masood's head," a visibly shaken Shanif recounted.

The injured Masood fled from the scene even as the attackers dispersed. "After nearly two hours of searching, I found him lying unconscious near a well," Shanif said. "I woke up Sunil and Sudhir and asked them to accompany me to the hospital. They came to a clinic in Bellare but dropped out as a crowd of Muslims gathered. We shifted Masood to a bigger hospital." Masood succumbed to his injuries two days later, on July 21.

Bellare police have arrested eight persons in the case, including three rowdy-sheeters and two office-bearers of the VHP, Sullia Prakhanda. However, local police say there was no intention of murder and the accused in fact took the victim to the hospital themselves. "The unfortunate incident has happened due to personal animosity between two individuals and there is no communal angle to it," Karnataka State Police said in a statement.

However, that is not how the Muslim community and activists from the area perceive the case. "Masood's case was clearly a case of communal attack by Hindutva activists. But the police investigation refuses to see the context of the altercation," said the SDPI's Shafi Bellare.

The third murder

Following outrage over him not visiting Praveen Nettaru's family, the Chief Minister landed in Mangaluru on July 28, two days later. While he was in the city, a gang of masked assailants in a car hacked Mohammed Fazil, 23, to death in Surathkal, on the outskirts of Mangaluru. This was the third murder in less than 10 days in the district.

Mangaluru city police have arrested a gang of seven members led by Bajrang Dal member Suhas Shetty for the murder. The police claim that a gang of disparate people came together to avenge the murder of Praveen and chose a random target in Fazil. All seven are either members of the Bajrang Dal or the Hindu Jagarana Vedike, police sources said.

Fazil had completed his MBA degree and a course in fire safety and was looking for a job in the Gulf. Meanwhile, he often went as a daily wager to Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd where his brother Adil worked as a driver. Police have evidence to show he had participated in several SDPI conclaves and put up social media posts claiming allegiance to the party. They suspect some of the accused in the case knew Fazil personally and he may have become a target for his SDPI links.

His father Umar Farooq, a driver, is inconsolable. "This is what they do before every election. The BJP doesn't have anything to show for their work in government and before elections, they resort to communal murders to cover up their failures. This time, the menace snatched my son. He was an innocent boy," he said as he broke down.

Violence and bias

The BJP had made the alleged murders of 24 Hindutva activists during the previous Congress regime under Siddaramaiah one of its main poll planks in the 2018 Assembly election. It had accused the Congress of supporting the PFI and the SDPI as the government had withdrawn 176 cases against their workers.

The then Home Minister, Ramalinga Reddy, had released a fact sheet in which he said that of the 24 Hindutva activists the BJP claimed had been killed, one was still alive; only 12 of the killings were of a communal nature, and in nine cases the accused were PFI and SDPI activists. The fact sheet also listed 11 murders of Muslims allegedly by Sangh Parivar activists.

"The BJP and the media often highlight the murders of Hindutva activists alone, trying to build a narrative of Muslims killing Hindus. But this is a cycle of violence between Sangh Parivar and PFI-SDPI, like that between Left parties and the RSS in Kerala. There is an ecosystem to get the accused to surrender, support them in jails and their families outside and legally fight the cases," said Reddy.

Recently, a video clip of a speech of A.K. Ashraf, the PFI's Karnataka secretary, has gone viral. In it he is heard as saying large-scale communal riots had stopped in Dakshina Kannada, the laboratory of Hindutva, as they had "taught" RSS families the pain of Muslim families that lost their dear ones to violence.

Multiple police officers who have served in the coastal region told *The Hindu* there is an overlap between the criminal underworld and the rank and file of Hindutva organisations. "Name any rowdy on the coast and he will be associated with some Hindutva group. It has now become aspirational to claim to be a Hindu don," a senior police officer said.

Mangaluru police officials said Suhas Shetty, who had no rivalry with Fazil, killed him to "come to [the] limelight". "Once he comes out on bail, he will capitalise on this case to emerge as a Robin Hood-like figure for Hindus. It never fails to work on the coast," said a senior police officer.

The BJP, once it came to power in 2019, withdrew over 200 cases against Hindutva activists. The State government now faces accusations of bias in handling these three cases. While it invoked the UAPA and handed over the probe into the murders of Praveen and Harsha to the NIA, no such probes were ordered for the Muslims killed.

Further, no representative of the State government visited Masood and Fazil's homes, even as Chief Minister Bommai went to Praveen's house and handed over a compensation cheque of ₹25 lakh. Opposition leaders have visited all three victims' houses. "Basavaraj Bommai seems to have forgotten that he is the Chief Minister for the entire State and not just BJP workers and voters," said Farooq, Fazil's father.

"The Sangh Parivar and the PFI and the SDPI are playing competitive communalism in collusion to derail the peace and progress of the coastal region," said Muneer Katipalla, secretary, Democratic Youth Federation of India, Karnataka, a Left organisation.

While the BJP has always targeted the Congress for supporting the PFI and the SDPI, the party is now facing tough questions from its cadre as to why the State and Union governments have not been able to ban the organisations.

Strained social engineering

On the face of it, the rebellion brewing within the Sangh Parivar ranks seems like a demand for "hard Hindutva". However, the BJP's social engineering in the coastal region has also come under strain ahead of State elections next year. While Vokkaligas and Lingayats have dominated the caste politics of Karnataka, the coastal region - Uttara Kannada, Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts constituting 18 Assembly seats - is dominated by upper caste Bunts and Brahmins, Billavas and Mogaveeras (both OBC communities) apart from a significant population of Dalits, Muslims and Christians.

The BJP has support among Brahmins and Bunts along with Billavas (traditionally, a toddy tapping community), who constitute the muscle of Hindutva organisations like the Bajrang Dal and the Hindu Jagarana Vedike in the coastal region. However, the Billavas have begun asking uncomfortable questions.

"If you analyse the communal murders of the last 15 years in the region, Billavas will dominate the list of both murdered and murderers. But there is no upward mobility. Instead, we are the foot soldiers who pay a heavy price for other communities to remain in power. We have realised this... that is why there were no retaliatory murders for the deaths of Sharath Madiwala and Deepak Rao in the region (in the run-up to the 2018 elections), which was unthinkable before," said a senior Sangh Parivar leader, a Billava himself.

With the Congress aggressively trying to woo back Billavas, a political constituency the party lost in the early 2000s, the BJP is in firefighting mode. "The BJP's politics is clear: to keep Bunts and Billavas united, playing up their Hindu identity against Muslims, while Congress tries to break Billavas from Bunts and build a vote bank clubbing them with Mogaveeras, Dalits and Muslims. In this context, it is important that Suhas Shetty, a Bunt, has avenged the killing of Praveen, a Billava. The message is explicit and deliberate," said a senior police officer.

But no one dares hazard a guess about where this cycle of retaliation will end.

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'Avoid unilateral action to alter Taiwan status quo'

Apart from China's unwillingness to support India's counter-terror goals at the UNSC, India-China ties in recent weeks were hampered by the planned arrival of China's intelligence gathering ship *Yuan Wang 5* at Sri Lanka's Hambantota port.

During Friday's briefing, the spokesperson denied India exerted pressure on Sri Lanka to prevent the dual-use ship from reaching Hambantota and connected the maritime security concerns of India with the India-China tension along the Line of Actual Control, adding: "With regard to our security concerns, this is the sovereign right of every country. We will make the best judgment in our own interest. This naturally takes into account the prevailing situation in our region, especially in the border areas."

After August 11, the Chinese vessel's scheduled date of arrival, Sri Lankan authorities refused to comment on whether the ship called at Hambantota. *The Hindu* contacted the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Defence on Friday, but officials did not confirm if the vessel arrived.

In the only official comment from the Sri Lankan side so far, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Monday said it had communicated to the Chinese Embassy to "defer the visit" of the said vessel to the Hambantota port, "in light of the need for further consultations". However, it did not indicate if Beijing had acceded its request. In the same statement, the Ministry reaffirmed its "enduring friendship and excellent relations" with China and underscored its "firm commitment" to the 'One China Policy'.

PNS *Taimur* arrives

Meanwhile, *PNS Taimur*, Pakistan's recently commissioned Chinese-built frigate warship, arrived at the Colombo port on Friday, the Sri Lankan Navy said. The vessel is berthed in Colombo amid reports that Bangladesh denied it permission to dock at the Chattogram Port.

"*PNS Taimur* is expected to conduct a naval exercise with the Sri Lanka Navy in western seas on its departure on August 15," the Sri Lankan Navy said in a statement.

(With inputs from Meera Srinivasan in Colombo)

Salman Rushdie stabbed at New York event

Mr. Rushdie is a former president of PEN America, which said it was "reeling from shock and horror" at the attack.

"We can think of no comparable incident of a public violent attack on a literary writer on American soil," CEO Suzanne Nossel said in a statement. "Salman Rushdie has been targeted for his words for decades but has never flinched nor faltered," she added.

His 1988 book *The Satanic Verses* was viewed as blasphemous by many Muslims. Often violent protests against Mr. Rushdie erupted around the world, including a riot that killed 12 people in Mumbai.

The novel was banned in Iran, where the late leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued a 1989 fatwa, or edict, calling for Mr. Rushdie's death. A bounty of over $3 million has also been offered for anyone who kills Mr. Rushdie.

Nine-year seclusion

The death threats and bounty led Mr. Rushdie to go into hiding under a British government protection programme, including a round-the-clock armed guard. Mr. Rushdie emerged after nine years of seclusion and cautiously resumed more public appearances, maintaining his outspoken criticism of religious extremism overall.

Iran's government has long since distanced itself from Khomeini's decree, but anti-Rushdie sentiment has lingered.

The Index on Censorship, an organisation promoting free expression, said money was raised to boost the reward for his killing as recently as 2016, underscoring that the fatwa for his death still stands.

Electricity Bill 'problematic': Opposition

States ruled by parties other than the BJP to frame a united strategy against the proposed legislation

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The Opposition parties are gearing up for a united move against the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, which has been referred to the Energy Standing Committee of Parliament.

While the Opposition members in the Standing Committee are likely to press their demand that Parliament should not consider an "anti-federal, anti-Constitution" Bill, the non-BJP-ruled States will consult each other to frame a united strategy against the Bill.

Kerala Electricity Minister K Krishnankutty told *The Hindu* that the State was preparing a detailed letter to the Centre against the Bill. "The Kerala Assembly had passed a resolution against a draft of the Bill circulated by the Centre in 2021. This Bill, introduced in Lok Sabha, looks more problematic if we consider the rights of the States.

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We are preparing a clause-by-clause criticism of this Bill. This will be sent to the Union Power Ministry and to all States. We will hold discussions with like-minded States to evolve a joint strategy," he said.

In the Standing Committee too, the Opposition is trying to put up a joint effort. The panel is headed by JD(U) national president Rajiv Ranjan Singh, aka Lallan Singh.

An Opposition member in the panel said the Centre had "very deceitfully" taken control of generation and distribution of power through the amendments. "According to the amendments sought, the State governments will be bound to act on the directions of Centre. These amendments seek to provide that the mandate of the Centre will be binding on the States. The amendments, therefore, will have severe repercussions for the federal structure of the country," the member said.

To move SC

The States ruled by parties other than the BJP are likely to challenge the constitutional validity of the amendments both in the Supreme Court and the Standing Committee.

"There is an inherent problem with this legislation in that it is anti-constitutional. We have demanded that wider consultation among all stakeholders, including all States, is necessary and till that happens the Bill should not be allowed to come into force," the member said.

CPI(M) MP and former Director of Kerala State Electricity Board V. Sivadasan said the Bill sought to centralise almost all functions of the distribution companies as well as the State Regulatory Commissions and change the character of the electricity supply industry and the federal structure of the Constitution.

He said the emphasis on "choice to consumers" in the Bill was highly misleading because in the country the number of consumers who did not pay the "cost to serve" was very large.

"For example, almost 82% of the domestic consumers do not pay the cost to serve and almost all the agricultural consumers do not pay the cost to serve. How can competition be introduced in such a market without privatising the profits and nationalising the losses? There can be no comparison between mobile phones and electricity distribution. Mobile is a wireless system, and electricity distribution is a wired system. In the case of mobile phones all consumers pay the cost to serve unlike electrical distribution," Mr. Sivadasan said.

Militants shoot dead migrant worker in J&K

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Militants shot dead a migrant worker at Bandipora in north Kashmir on Friday, the police said.

"During the intervening night of August 11 and 12, terrorists fired upon and injured Mohammad Amrez, a resident of Madhepura Besarh, Bihar, at Soadnara Sumbal, Bandipora," the police said. Amrez was shifted to a hospital where he died of his injuries.

Migrant workers have appealed to Lieutenant-Governor Manoj Sinha to help in shifting the body of the victim to Bihar.

In a separate incident, militants shot and injured a policeman in Anantnag.

Special police officer Ghulam Qadir was injured when terrorists fired upon a joint *naka* party of the police and the CRPF in the Bijbehara area of Anantnag, the police said.

Bihar has shown the way: Tejashwi

Nitish Kumar's return to *Mahagatbandhan* is a slap on the BJP's face: Deputy CM

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Janata Dal (U) leader and Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's return to the *Mahagatbandhan* (grand alliance) is "a slap on the BJP's face", Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader Tejashwi Yadav said on Friday, as he asserted that the same model will be replicated in other States.

In his first visit to Delhi after taking oath as the Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar, Mr. Yadav met Congress president Sonia Gandhi and other Opposition leaders, including CPI (M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury and CPI general secretary D. Raja. He is said to have discussed the recent developments in the State as well as its national implications.

Mr. Kumar, soon after exiting the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA), had spoken about Opposition unity, while Mr. Yadav had laid stress on preparing a road map for the 2024 Lok Sabha election.

Mr. Yadav's visit to Delhi holds significance for the Cabinet expansion in the State as his father and RJD supremo Lalu Prasad is here and the finalisation of the names of Ministers is set to be high on the agenda during the discussions between the two.

Next move: Bihar Deputy CM Tejashwi Yadav after meeting Congress president Sonia Gandhi in New Delhi on Friday. •PTI

Speaking to reporters after his meeting with Ms. Gandhi, Mr. Yadav said Bihar had shown the way to the country, and the politics of intimidation by the BJP-led Union government was no longer tenable.

Quoting the political scenario in Maharashtra and Jharkhand, he said, "The BJP government believes in intimidating those who can be easily scared and buying off others. They are destroying all constitutional institutions, be it the Central Bureau of Investigation, the Enforcement Directorate or the Income Tax Department. Their situation is worse than police stations."

"Bihar's people won't cower down and Biharis are not for sale. Bihar has shown the way ahead," he said.

"Let me point out here, a majority of regional parties belong to the backwards and Dalits. They wanted to finish Nitish Kumar in Bihar, who comes from a backward community; they divided Ram Vilas Paswan's party and are trying to destroy his political legacy. If the regional parties are finished, then Opposition will be finished. And if that happens then we will be left with a dictatorial government," he said.

Same ideology

Fielding questions on the RJD-JD(U) flip-flop, he said that for national interest, they had to keep their differences aside. "We blamed them and they blamed us, but we belong to the same ideological home – socialism. And every home has altercations. And no one can snatch this legacy," he noted.

Mr. Yadav also cited examples from the past two years to argue that the Bihar Chief Minister had on occasions stood up for him.

One such exchange happened just weeks after the NDA government's victory in the Bihar Assembly election, he said, adding that when the BJP was attacking him, Mr. Kumar stepped in to defend and referred to him [Mr. Yadav] as the son of his friend.

Hitting out at the BJP for running a "false" narrative about the RJD ushering in *jungle raj*, he said, "The real *jungle raj* is in Delhi, where the Opposition is not allowed to speak out."

Congratulating Mr. Yadav for ensuring that a "secular" government took charge in Bihar, Mr. Yechury said they should now implement all the promises made.

Mr. Raja said the developments in Bihar have had a positive impact on the political course in the country. "The coming together of the RJD and the JD(U) has left the BJP panicking and now our goal must be to throw them out in the 2024 Lok Sabha election," he added.

Had sought four Union Cabinet berths: Nitish

Will work to unite Opposition, he says

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Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Friday said he had decided against the Janata Dal(U) joining the Union government after the BJP refused his demand for four ministerial berths in 2019.

"I had said in 2019 that we should get at least four berths. We had 16 MPs; they had just one more from Bihar. Agreeing to anything less than that would have sent a bad message in Bihar from where they had inducted five people. They refused so we did not join," Mr. Kumar said.

No consent on R.C.P.

Asked about the BJP leaders' contention that his consent was sought before the induction of former JD(U) leader R.C.P. Singh into the Cabinet, Mr. Kumar said it was "untrue".

"He [R.C.P. Singh] was the national president and I did not approve of the development. A reason why I made him step down from the top party post six months later," he said.

Mr. Kumar maintained that he had no prime ministerial ambitions but said he was looking forward to play a "positive" role in forging Opposition unity against the ruling National Democratic Alliance at the Centre. "Please do not ask me such questions, I have said many times that I harbour no such ambitions. I want to serve my State," he said.

On what role he saw for himself in forging unity among Opposition parties, he said, "Our role will be positive ... It is my wish that all come together [against the BJP-led NDA]. You will see some action in the days to come."

To a query about the fear of the ED and the CBI being unleashed on the new ruling dispensation, he said, "I have no such fears. Remember one thing, even if a habit has been formed of misuse [of agencies], those indulging in the same will be closely watched by the people."

Mr. Kumar also defended his new government's decision to provide 'Z-plus' security cover to his deputy, Tejashwi Yadav, rubbishing criticism of the move by the BJP. "He is the Deputy CM with obvious security needs. Why should he not get the cover? They (the BJP) speak nonsense," he said.

'Good support for *Tiranga* campaign'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
SRINAGAR

The Jammu and Kashmir administration on Friday directed officials to ensure hoisting of the Tricolour on all government buildings in the Union Territory.

All government buildings and offices across J&K, including educational institutions, should hoist the National Flag on Independence Day, a spokesman said.

Lieutenant-Governor Manoj Sinha chaired a meeting with the deputy commissioners and senior officials to review preparations for the *Har Ghar Tiranga* campaign, which will start on August 13.

He said the campaign was receiving overwhelming response in J&K. "Officials should encourage the elected members, prominent citizens, political parties, youth clubs, government officials and common people to come forward and imbibe the true spirit of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*," Mr. Sinha said.

Mr. Sinha said the Amarnath Yatra was performed by 3.65 lakh pilgrims this year, the highest in the past five years. "Security forces provided fool-proof security cover to the pilgrims and ensured peaceful pilgrimage," he added.

Why are bank loans being written off, asks Congress

Party targets PM over 'freebie' remark

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

Writing off bank loans is an example of freebie culture and not providing food to the economically weaker sections, the Congress said on Friday to target Prime Minister Narendra Modi over his remarks on ending freebie culture in the country.

Gourav Vallabh

Why were bank loans worth ₹5.8 lakh crore written off and why was corporate tax worth ₹1.45 lakh crore reduced, asked Congress spokesperson Gourav Vallabh at a press conference.

Explaining the figure of ₹5.8 lakh crore, Mr. Vallabh said loans worth ₹9.92 lakh crore were written off by banks in the past five years and of this, ₹7.27 lakh crore was the share of public sector banks.

The government, he said, in an answer to a question in Parliament, had admitted that only ₹1.03 lakh crore was recovered of the amount written off by it. Assuming that the recovery from the written-off loan would increase to 20% in the coming time, Mr. Vallabh claimed that the public sector banks wouldn't have recovered the loan of ₹5.8 lakh crore.

"When will there be a discussion on freebies given by the public sector banks of ₹5.8 lakh crore in the past five years?" said Mr. Vallabh.

"Why are small amounts or assistance given to the poor freebies (*revri*), while the freebies that the rich friends get all the time through low tax rates, write-offs and exemptions are 'necessary incentives' (*gajak*)?" Mr. Vallabh added.

The Congress spokesperson cited schemes such as the Food Security Act, MSP to farmers, MGNREGA and midday meal that had provided relief to the poor during tough times.

He also reminded the Modi government of its promises for 2022 – a house for every Indian family, doubling of farmers' income, making the bullet train operational and the size of the India's economy growing to $5 trillion.

'Global instability posing challenge to national security'

Volatility created by the Ukraine war has made investment atmosphere difficult, says Jaishankar

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
BENGALURU

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar on Friday said strong global headwinds, instability and tension posed a challenge to national security, while volatility created by the Ukraine war had made the investment atmosphere challenging.

"Challenges keep coming. There is instability in the world and issues have increased tension posing challenge to national security. The Modi government is facing the challenge with confidence," Mr. Jaishankar told reporters here.

On the long-term impact of the Ukraine war, the Minister said: "It is not easy to anticipate. It [war] has created volatility with prices going up and down... be it oil, steel, other metals or semiconductors. Everywhere we are seeing ups and downs that make the investment atmosphere challenging. However, because the world is difficult, it is not that we stop our progress and ambitions. We have to find good ways of understanding it and internalising it."

The war has affected trade to a certain extent, resulting in energy prices going up sharply, food inflation and affecting sunflower oil imports, Mr. Jaishankar added.

The Modi government is facing the challenge with confidence

S. JAISHANKAR
External Affairs Minister

Protecting own interests

When asked if the country was being 'macho' on issues related to the Ukraine war, Mr. Jaishankar said: "There is no denial of Ukraine. We are not out there doing the macho thing and saying we will take on the world. This is a responsible, prudent and sensible government that is standing for its own interests. We are big enough to define our interest and I do not think it is an unreasonable posture."

Pointing at Europe, the Minister said, "When Europe has taken care of its population, are we not entitled to take care of our interests?"

LAC tension

On the Indo-China border row, Mr. Jaishankar said the situation was tense and could become dangerous due to the close positioning of troops. "We have had 15 rounds of commander-level talks and have made substantial progress in terms of the sides pulling back from places where they were very close. But there are still some places where they have not [pulled back]."

Stating that China disturbing peace and tranquillity in the border areas would have an impact on the relationship, Mr. Jaishankar said, "As I have said in the past, our relationship is not normal. It cannot be normal if the border situation is not normal."

Farmers need financing with a human touch, says Shah

More primary agricultural credit societies needed: Minister

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah on Friday said farmers need financing with a human touch and not "ruthless financing".

More and more farmers should be connected with primary agricultural credit societies (PACS) as they still worked to finance by keeping a human approach towards farmers, he said.

Mr. Shah said there was a need to establish more than two lakh new PACS across the country to achieve the target of providing agri-finance worth ₹10 lakh crore through cooperatives.

He was addressing a conference on rural cooperative banks organised by the Ministry of Cooperation and the National Federation of State Cooperative Banks.

He said suggestions had been received rom the State governments and other stakeholders on the draft 'Model By-laws of PACS' and the Centre would soon finalise the by-laws, which proposes to allow PACS to undertake activities like dealership of petroleum products and running PDS shops.

Pavan Varma quits Trinamool Congress

He had joined the party a year ago

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
KOLKATA

Former Rajya Sabha member Pavan Kumar Varma, who joined the Trinamool Congress a year ago and was appointed the party's vice-president, resigned from the party on Friday.

Mr. Varma, a former diplomat and well-known author, announced his decision on social media.

"Dear @MamataOfficial ji, Please accept my resignation from the @AITCofficial. I want to thank you for the warm welcome accorded to me, and for your affection and courtesies. I look forward to remaining in touch. Wishing you all the best, with warm regards, Pavan K. Varma," he tweeted.

Sources in the Trinamool Congress said it was a "mutual parting" of ways and that Mr. Varma had informed the party about his decision.

INTERVIEW | VIJAYASAI REDDY

'Freebies are different from welfare schemes'

Leader of the YSRCP legislative party in Parliament discusses benefits vs short-term conveniences

NISTULA HEBBAR

Leader of the YSRCP legislative party in Parliament **Vijayasai Reddy** *is of the view that welfare schemes are those aimed at improving human capital and living standards but freebies are different. Excerpts:*

Prime Minister Modi has repeatedly spoken about "freebies" and its perilous effect on public finance. What is your party's view?

■ We need to understand the definition of freebies or what is being termed as "*revri*." Freebies are different from welfare schemes. Suppose a television or refrigerator is given... there will probably be something in the short term in terms of conveniences for the particular household but not long term. Whereas welfare schemes as introduced by the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Jagan Mohan Reddy, are those aimed at improving human capital, living standards and State gross domestic product and per capita income.

For example... the State government has a scheme called Ryathu Bharosa,... where Chief Minister is providing income support to farmers... We also have a scheme of fee reimbursement; here the government of Andhra Pradesh is aiding students, improving enrollment and encouraging higher education... On health we have set up a government hospital and medical college in all 26 districts of A.P.

This has a long term impact. We are not giving TVs, refrigerators or iron boxes.

What about the whole argument of public finances and the perilous state they are in?

■ The government is a continuous body, the party in power can change. Unfortunately, following the bifurcation of the State in 2014, the State's borrowings were ₹1.24 lakh crore. During the next five years of the Telugu Desam Party, that has gone up to ₹2.6 lakh crore.

The Supreme Court has said that a committee needs to be formed to look into the whole issue.

■ In my view, it is the people who decide whether a particular government continues or whether its policies are acceptable... The job of the judiciary is to decide whether the law passed by the Parliament is constitutional or not.

Aren't you expecting too much from the public and too little from the political class?

■ Requirements of the public and the people of the country is better known to the political class than the judiciary. People require nutrition, health and education services and it is for the political class and governments, especially the State governments, to bring out policies for that... Courts are not the fora for this.

It is the people who decide whether the government's policies are acceptable or not

Then, how does one get State governments to toe the line of fiscal prudence?

■ There are rules. What is the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act? Any State government is not following the FRBM Act the Central government can then step in and say 'See you are not following this, and therefore your access to more credit will be circumscribed'.

There was an uproar during the briefing by the government to all parties on the crisis in Sri Lanka. Why was that?

■ Initially... the secretary from the economic affairs department explained... how, for various reasons, Sri Lanka was facing an economic crisis.

Subsequently, he started explaining the situation of various States of India... we objected that a sovereign country like Sri Lanka cannot be compared to individual States. It was completely haphazard. Central government's public debt is 60% of GDP. Why are you not referring to that?

Read full interview at bit.ly/vijayasai

Rajnath Singh all praise for Army's haul at CWG

Minister felicitates 25 winners of the *Veer Gatha* contest

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday interacted with the armed forces personnel who participated in the recently-concluded Commonwealth Games at Birmingham, U.K. and later felicitated 25 winners of the *Veer Gatha* contest held countrywide for school children last year.

On Mr. Singh's interaction with the Commonwealth participants, the Ministry said in a statement, "It is a commendable feat that 15 sportspersons from the three Services bagged six Gold, four Silver and five Bronze medals for India, out of the total 31 personnel who participated in the Games held between July 28 and August 8, 2022."

Veer Gatha was one of the projects organised as a part of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*, to inspire and spread awareness among children about the gallant deeds and sacrifices of armed forces.

In the nationwide contest held last year, over 8.04 lakh students from 4,788 schools shared inspirational stories through essays, poems, drawings and multimedia presentations. After several rounds of evaluation, 25 students were selected and declared as 'SUPER-25'. Mr. Singh on Friday felicitated them with a cash prize of ₹10,000 each, a medal and a certificate.

Mr. Singh commended their creativity, zeal and enthusiasm.

Champions' meet: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh interacting with CWG Gold medallists from the armed forces. • PTI

School syllabus to cover 75 years of military valour

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

In order to inculcate patriotism among students from an early age, the government will develop a syllabus that will include the country's military valour in the past 75 years since Independence, Minister for Education Dharmendra Pradhan said on Friday.

"In order to inculcate love towards the country, and the feeling of sacrifice, the Defence Forces must develop a repository on the wars since Independence, and we will share this through a website with all the students. In the days to come this will not just be an extra-curricular activity, but will be part of a course," Mr. Pradhan said. Work is on to formulate a fresh syllabus under the new National Education Policy, he said and urged the Defence Minister to guide the Ministry. "I take up the responsibility to introduce our military valour in the past 75 years in school syllabus," he said.

The new generation should know that in the past 75 years, we have not lost a single war barring just one, which was a conspiracy of China, the Minister added.

The Minister was speaking at an event organised to felicitate 25 winners of the *Veer Gatha* contest of the Ministry of Defence.

Mr. Pradhan said that he will bring a scheme to "elevate" the status of the competition by ensuring that its winners earn credits in their school syllabus. This will be done to "permanently institutionalise" the competition programme, he said.

IN BRIEF

BJP names Bawankule as Maharashtra chief

PUNE

The BJP appointed prominent OBC leader, MLC Chandrashekhar Bawankule, as the new president of its Maharashtra unit. Bandra West MLA Ashish Shelar will be the president of BJP's Mumbai unit. Mr. Bawankule's appointment appears to complete the caste symmetry in the party, with CM being the Maratha face and Deputy Chief Minister offering Brahmin representation.

India, Malaysia begin four-day air exercise

NEW DELHI

An Indian Air Force contingent left for Malaysia on Friday to participate in a four-day bilateral exercise 'Udarashakti' with the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) at the latter's base in Kuantan. "IAF is participating in the air exercise with Su-30 MKI and C-17 aircraft while the RMAF will be flying Su-30 MKM aircraft," the IAF said.

SC seeks States' view on Sulli Deals plea

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday asked State governments for their response to a plea by Aumkareshwar Thakur, who allegedly created the Sulli Deals mobile application, to club the FIRs registered against him in connection with posting offensive and communally sensitive content on the Internet.

However, the court also wondered whether these FIRs could be clubbed at all, as they represent separate and distinct offences against him based on complaints filed by different women from various parts of the country. The FIRs also relate to two different apps – Sulli Deals and Bulli Bai.

"There are different offences. One is Sulli Deals and another is Bulli Bai. Can different offences be clubbed?" a Bench led by Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul asked.

"You [Thakur] have uploaded photos of various people and each one of them is an aggrieved party," the Bench addressed Thakur side.

The court has nevertheless sought replies from Uttar Pradesh, Delhi and Maharashtra governments but refused to stay the investigation against the accused.

Thakur allegedly developed Sulli Deals, an open-source app containing photographs and personal information of Muslim women.

His petition cited the apex court's judgment in TT Antony vs. State of Kerala, where it allowed for a single investigation after quashing similar FIRs; alternatively, he asked for clubbing of all subsequent FIRs with the first one at PS Special Cell, Delhi.

India, NATO in touch for quite some time: MEA

'It is part of contact with stakeholders'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

India has been in touch with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) for "quite some time now", the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said on Friday.

"India and NATO have kept in touch in Brussels at different levels for quite some time now. This is part of our contacts with various stakeholders on various issues of mutual interests," said MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi. He said that India has a mission in Brussels, which is the headquarters of NATO as well.

The comments came at a media briefing in response to a question on a report that India held its first political dialogue with NATO in December 2019.

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'29 elephant poaching cases in 3 years'

The period also saw 90 cases of seizure of tusks/ivory, Forest Ministry tells Lok Sabha

SHIV SAHAY SINGH
KOLKATA

In the past three years, 90 cases of seizure of elephant tusks/ivory have been reported in India along with 29 cases of poaching of elephants. The data were shared by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEFCC) in the Lok Sabha on August 8. The highest number of cases of elephant tusk seizure was reported in 2021 with 42 cases, and incidents of poaching were the highest in the year 2021 with 14 incidents having been reported throughout the country. Meghalaya alone accounted for seven of the 14 poaching deaths. In the year 2018-19, six elephant deaths due to poaching were reported and nine poaching deaths were reported in 2019-20.

Odisha, which has emerged as one of the hot spots of human-elephant conflict, has accounted for seven elephant deaths due to poaching in the past three years, while Meghalaya accounted for 12 poaching deaths in the past three years. Tamil Nadu has accounted for three deaths of elephants due to poaching. The data were tabled by Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Ashwini Kumar Choubey in response to a question by five MPs.

In danger: Poaching incidents were the highest in 2021 with Meghalaya accounting for 7 of 14 cases. • S. MAHINSHA

Of the 90 cases of seizure of elephant tusks reported in the past three years, in the year 2020 the number of such cases reported was 21. In 2019, 27 cases of seizure of elephant tusks were reported. In response to the question, the Ministry has informed that the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau has conducted a special pan-India enforcement operation to coordinate action among State and Central enforcement agencies. "Ivory seizures have been affected in the 'Operation WILDNET-I, II, III and IV'," the response added.

Wildlife experts and conservationists point out that while India is home to 60% of Asian elephants, the human-elephant conflict continues to be the biggest challenge for wildlife management.

Union Minister Bhupender Yadav had Informed the Lok Sabha on July 18 that 1,578 people died of elephant attacks in India between 2019-20 and 2021-22.

S.P. Pandey, coordinator of WTI-SPOAR Elephant Corridor Monitoring Project Northern West Bengal, said poaching and seizure of ivory were part of the larger problem of the human-elephant conflict. "In north Bengal, there are several incidents of seizure of ivory because of the region sharing borders with Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan," Mr. Pandey said.

Bhupender Yadav flags human-wildlife conflict

KOLKATA

Speaking at an event to observe World Elephant Day at Thekkady in Kerala, Bhupender Yadav had stressed on the aspect of human-elephant conflict ."With competition for resources, the human-elephant conflict is increasing and it is unfortunate that on an average 500 people are killed annually by elephants and about 100 elephants are killed in retaliation by people," PIB quoted him as saying.

Essential Commodities Act invoked to rein in tur dal price

States to monitor and verify stocks available with traders

VIKAS DHOOT
NEW DELHI

With tur dal prices surging since mid-July and reports coming in of some traders creating artificial supply squeeze by restricting sales, the Centre has invoked the Essential Commodities Act of 1955 to ask States to monitor and verify the stocks available with such traders.

The directive issued on August 12, 2022, came hours before the Retail inflation numbers for July are released. Consumer price inflation has been over 7% since April, and had moderated slightly to 7.01% in June.

Tur dal prices have risen since mid-July amid slow progress in kharif sowing as compared to last year due to excess rainfalls and water logging conditions in parts of major tur dal growing States of Karnataka, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, the Department of Consumer Affairs has noted.

The Consumer Affairs Department says it is watching stocks of pulses.

"On top of the sufficient overall availability of pulses in the domestic market, the government is currently holding about 38 lakh tonnes of pulses which are being released in the market to further augment the stocks available in the market," the Department said, stressing that it is closely watching the availability and prices of pulses in the domestic as well as overseas markets to take pre-emptive steps if there is any unwarranted price rise in the upcoming months.

States and Union Territories have also been asked to direct 'stockholder entities to upload the data of stocks held by them' on an online monitoring portal of the Department of Consumer Affairs, on a weekly basis. The government hopes the move will rein in attempts by some sections of traders and stockists to push the price for tur dal upwards, by resorting to 'restricted sales' and creating an artificial scarcity.

IN BRIEF

Police to summon Ranveer on Aug. 22

MUMBAI

The Mumbai Police on Friday said it will summon actor Ranveer Singh on August 22 in connection with a case registered for posting his nude photographs on his social media account. An FIR was registered against him on July 26.

HC rejects bail of youth who raped minor boys

MUMBAI

The Bombay High Court has recently rejected the bail plea of a 21-year-old, in jail for four years, for indulging in unnatural sexual acts with two minor boys. Nilchand Naik, 21, is facing charges under Section 377of the IPC and Sections 4, 6, 8 and 12 of the POCSO Act.

ED freezes assets worth ₹370 cr. in crypto scam

NEW DELHI

The ED has issued an order to freeze the bank balances of Yellow Tune Technologies Private Limited, its payment gateway balances and crypto assets of Flipvolt cryptocurrency exchange to the tune of ₹370 crore in connection with the online micro-loan "scam".

NIA nabs one more in Udaipur murder case

NEW DELHI

The NIA has arrested another person in connection with the gruesome killing of a tailor in Rajasthan's Udaipur on June 28. This is the ninth arrest in the case. Muslim Khanhas been accused of being a part of the conspiracy to murder Kanhaiya Lal, who was hacked to death.

Social Justice Ministry should process fellowships, says UGC

Payments to thousands of scholars have been delayed

DAMINI NATH
NEW DELHI

While thousands of disabled, Scheduled Castes (SC) and Other Backward Classes (OBC) Ph.d scholars have not received their national fellowships since April, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has told the Union Social Justice and Empowerment Ministry that it will not continue processing the fellowships, according to letters sent by it.

The Finance Ministry had in March changed the way funds for Central sector schemes flow. Earlier, the UGC would disburse the amount received from the Ministry in question via Canara Bank.

The Finance Ministry's March 9 decision mandated the appointment of a Central nodal agency for Central sector schemes.

However, the Finance Ministry had given the Social Justice Ministry and the Minorities Affairs Ministry, which runs the Maulana Azad National Fellowships, an extension till September 30 to continue with the old process or transfer the fellowships into the scholars' accounts directly as the new policy did not cover schemes with direct benefit transfer (DBT).

Exemption request

However, the UGC told the Social Justice Ministry on August 3 that it had considered the Ministry's exemption request and "it has been decided by UGC that MoSJE may disburse the National Fellowship for Scheduled Castes and National Fellowship for Other Backward Classes at their end only."

In another letter to the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities under the Social Justice Ministry on June 29, the UGC had told the department to disburse the National Fellowship for Persons with Disabilities through Canara Bank's scholarship portal.

The UGC had told the Minorities Affairs Ministry on July 22 to directly transfer funds to Canara Bank "without involving UGC in the process".

Six arrested in seizure of 2,000 live cartridges ahead of I-Day

The ammunition was recovered by the Delhi Police

STAFF REPORTER
NEW DELHI

Six persons have been arrested in connection with smuggling of ammunition in East Delhi ahead of Independence Day, police said on Friday. The accused have been identified as Ajmal, Rashid, Parikshit, Saddam, Kamran, and Nasir, police said.

Over 2,251 live cartridges including various types of imported ammunition were recovered from the possession of the accused, police said.

The suspects, identified as Ajmal Khan (20) and Rashid alias Lallan (20) were immediately apprehended. Both are residents of Jaunpur in Uttar Pradesh, police said. On sustained interrogation, the accused revealed that they received the ammunition from a person in Dehradun, Uttarakhand, and it was going to be delivered to a person in Lucknow (name and other details withheld by police), DCP (east) Priyanka Kashyap said. The DCP said that the accused persons disclosed that they had already supplied similar such consignment four-five times in the past.

Caught redhanded: The ammunition was to be sent to a person in Lucknow, the accused said. • SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

RBI clamps down on 'intimidation'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
MUMBAI

In a major relief for bank loan defaulters, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), taking into account certain recent developments including growing incidences of 'unacceptable practices' followed by recovery agents, has issued additional instructions to regulated entities (REs) by extending the scope of the guidelines and limiting the hours for calling borrowers on phone for recovery of overdue loans.

Any acts to humiliate publicly or intrude upon the privacy of the debtor's family members and friends and calling the borrower before 8 a.m. and after 7 p.m. could be construed as harassment and intimidation, the RBI said.

Govt. to enumerate people who clean sewers

Since 2017, 351 people have died while at it

ABHINAY LAKSHMAN
NEW DELHI

The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJ&E) is now preparing to undertake a nationwide survey to enumerate all people engaged in hazardous cleaning of sewers and septic tanks, an activity that has led to at least 351 deaths since 2017. Drawing a distinction between this work and manual scavenging, the Ministry insisted that the practice of manual scavenging no longer takes place in the country as all manual scavengers had been accounted for and enrolled into the rehabilitation scheme.

Ministry draws distinction between sewer cleaning and manual scavenging.

Ministry officials said that the enumeration exercise, soon to be conducted across 500 AMRUT (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation) cities, is part of the Union government's National Action Plan for Mechanised Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE), which will streamline the process of rehabilitating sanitation workers and eventually merge with and replace the Self-Employment Scheme for the Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS), which was started in 2007.

The NAMASTE scheme is being undertaken jointly by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and the MoSJ&E and aims to eradicate unsafe sewer and septic tank cleaning practices, said Yogita Swaroop, Senior Economic Advisor in the MoSJ&E, who is overseeing the project. Officials said that the Ministry has already cleared ₹360 crore for this project – to be spent over the next four years.

Other benefits under the scheme will include capital subsidies of up to ₹5 lakh on sanitation machinery costing up to ₹15 lakh and interest subsidies on loans, where interest rates will be capped between 4-6% for the beneficiaries.

No GST on house rent for personal use

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
NEW DELHI

The government on Friday said GST will not be applicable on residential units if they are rented out to private persons for personal use.

The government dismissed media reports which claimed that there is an 18% Goods and Services Tax (GST) on house rent paid by tenants. In a tweet, the government said GST would be levied only when the residential unit is rented out to a business entity.

Centre begins scheme to rehabilitate beggars

Project to focus on 75 municipalities

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

The Social Justice and Empowerment Ministry on Friday launched the 'SMILE-75' initiative for comprehensive rehabilitation of persons engaged in begging in 75 identified municipalities as a part of the celebrations of 75 years of Independence, a Ministry statement said.

The initiative is part of the Social Justice Ministry's ongoing SMILE project (Support for Marginalised Individuals for Livelihood and Enterprise) for which ₹100 crore has been allocated till 2025-2026.

"The SMILE-75 initiative will cover several comprehensive welfare measures for persons who are engaged in the act of begging with focus extensively on rehabilitation, provision of medical facilities, counselling, awareness, education, skill development, economic linkages and convergence with other government welfare programmes etc.," the Ministry said.

THE CROSSWORD + 13634

(set by KrisKross)

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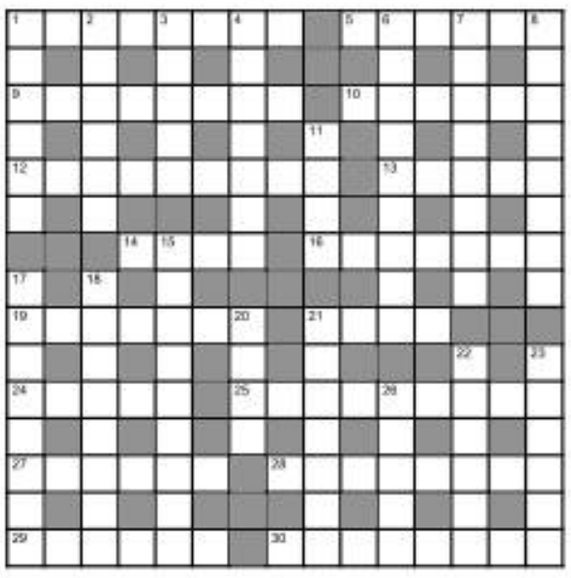

Across

1 What lawyers usually say on renewal of lease (8)
5 Left Blocks made more confused (6)
9 Say, duck fake "Mega offer without a bit of risk" (4,4)
10 America endlessly at war for European region (6)
12 Crew may tie knots frequently (4,1,4)
13 Famous detective locked up inside store (5)
14 Voice of the electorate, primarily (4)
16 Works out hard, finally is surrounded by women (7)
19 Made a choice with the other hand raised (7)
21 Hollow farewell (4)
24 Proper English coach (5)
25 Tip of Mount Everest – a new, unreal world (9)
27 Off-colour drama? Not acceptable – no chance! (6)
28 Arrogant son dashing for short lunch (8)
29 Durga flying on a celestial bird (6)
30 Strong man, mostly running a very short distance (8)

Down

1 Vegetable left, say, by bird going North (6)
2 Imagine leaving a mysterious sign (6)
3 Country extremely busy, overwhelmed by recurrent trouble (5)
4 Last confident cut by Richards for one (7)
6 Dread a reckless person? (9)
7 Where a setter may go, by the way (4,4)
8 Doctor agonised to identify the cause of disease (8)
11 Father to look at daughter (4)
15 Travelling, that man caught in violent tornado (2,3,4)
17 Managed par score at last – golf is child's play (8)
18 Novice to plead with champion after losing wicket (8)
20 Lady in bar chased by European (4)
21 See in Rome... a boring, very stupid antic (7)
22 Go for parking luxury car, including outrageous fee (6)
23 Confusion in ground – game finishing early (6)
26 Observe peeled bananas possibly decay and rot (5)

SUDOKU

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Solution to puzzle 13633

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Immeasurable greatness

Abirami Bhattar's life shows us clearly that if we place our trust in Goddess Parvathi, She will never let us down. She saved Bhattar from the wrath of the king and made the world aware of his greatness. Bhattar's Abirami Andadi is in praise of the Goddess. She is easy to approach if you have bhakti, said M.A. Manickavelu, in a discourse. No wonder even Lord Siva meditates on Her. Kumaraguruparar in his Meenaksi Pillai Tamizh, says that Lord Siva holds in His heart a portrait of the Goddess, for Him to meditate on. Without Ambal, even Siva cannot perform His duties. Bhattar describes Her as Yamalai. This is the Tamil version of the name Shyamala. This name indicates Her dark green hue. Her words are as pleasing as the words of a parrot.

In verse sixteen of his Abirami Andadi, Bhattar calls out to Ambal as "Kiliye." Kili in Tamil is parrot. He further says that She glows in the hearts of all Her devotees. The Sun, Moon and Agni get their brightness from Her. She pervades the entire Universe, as the Panchabhutas, namely earth, water, fire, air and sky. If one were to contemplate Her greatness, one soon realises that it is limitless and immeasurable. And yet, She has decided that Bhattar must be able to realise Her. It is amazing that She, who is the embodiment of jnana, should have so decided, exclaims Bhattar. Given the magnitude of Her concern for Her devotees, it comes as no surprise that they seek opportunities to serve Her.

A story is told about Haradatta Sivachariyar of Kanjanur, to show his bhakti towards Siva. He once saw a man being punished for neglecting his temple duties. He shed tears, wishing that he himself had been punished instead, for this would have guaranteed moksha to him. Such single-minded devotion is seen in bhaktas of the Goddess too.

'Winning bronze also a great achievement'

Harika says it would have been a disappointment for many if we didn't win a medal

44TH OLYMPIAD

P.K. AJITH KUMAR

Ever since she made her Olympiad debut, way back in 2004, Dronavalli Harika wanted to be part of an Indian women's team that climbed the podium. When she had the best chance of realising that dream, she wasn't going to miss it – even if that meant being taken to the labour room straight from the tournament hall.

It didn't quite come to that, though there was a time she felt that could well be the case. It turned out to be a false pain.

That pain soon made way for joy: India won the bronze medal – for the first time in history – at the Women's Chess Olympiad at Mamallapuram on Tuesday. True, the team was hoping to take the gold and was well poised for that, until it lost on the final day to the United States.

"Yes, it is disappointing that we could not win the gold after coming so well and performing consistently throughout the tournament, but winning the bronze is also a great achievement, I feel," Harika told *The Hindu*.

Single-minded resolve: Harika was determined to do her best, despite her advanced stage of pregnancy. • B. VELANKANNI RAJ

"This is my ninth Olympiad in a row – I don't think any other Indian woman has played as many – and an Olympiad team medal is something I desperately wanted all these years."

She was determined to play the Olympiad despite the late stage of her pregnancy. "I could not have played if it was held outside India," she said. (It had been allotted to Russia, but moved to Chennai after that country invaded Ukraine).

"My doctor, Srilatha Gorthi, gave me the confidence that I could play," Harika said. "And I am so glad that I played." She did her job well despite her condition. She remained unbeaten on the second board. "I am happy with the quality of my chess, though not with the result," she said. "The team's plan was that I would play only when it was most needed in the early part but I had to play consecutively as we were facing strong opposition."

Praise for teammates

She is all praise for her teammates - Koneru Humpy, R. Vaishali, Tania Sachdev and Bhakti Kulkarni. "I am really glad that we won a medal, as it would have been disastrous if we didn't at an Olympiad at home and were the favourite," she said.

"Besides, it would have been a big disappointment for the organisers and all the fans who came in large numbers to support us. I think the Tamil Nadu government did a great job. It felt nice when the government recognised the teams (India 2 won the bronze in the open section) by announcing a cash prize of ₹1 crore each. That isn't something you normally expect in Indian chess."

Women's IPL likely in March 2023

BCCI makes room in the calender for the inaugural edition

ANI
MUMBAI

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has set aside a window in March 2023 for the first-ever edition of women's Indian Premier League (IPL) and the process to get the show on the road is underway, as per board president Sourav Ganguly.

Good augury: The Indian women bagging the silver in the Commonwealth Games was a welcome development. • PTI

Changes made

According to *ESPNCricinfo*, the board has made changes to its women's domestic cricket calendar to make way for women's IPL. The women's season that generally goes on from November to April has been advanced by a month, with the season set to begin on October 11 with T20 competition and end in February 2023 with an inter-zonal ODI competition.

Since 2018, BCCI has been organising the Women's T20 Challenge. What began as a one-off exhibition match between two teams in the first season is now a three-team competition.

The clamour to have a much bigger competition just like men's IPL has been growing among players and fans for a while.

In February this year, Ganguly had stated that the women's IPL would be held next year. "We are at the level of formulation to have a full-fledged WIPL. It is certainly going to happen. I strongly believe that 2023 will be a very good time to start."

Owners of IPL franchise Rajasthan Royals and Barbados Royals, The Knight Riders Group have expressed their interest in getting involved in the tournament and owning a women's IPL team. The inaugural edition of the women's Caribbean Premier League (CPL), which is scheduled to happen alongside the men's tournament later this year will feature three teams, including Trinbago Knight Riders owned by Knight Riders Group.

BCCI is expected to hold a discussion on matters related to women's IPL at its annual general meeting in September this year. Much of the planning around the tournament will be around sale of its media rights. Due to India's improving and great performances at major ICC events over the recent years, the enthusiasm for women's cricket in India is at a never-seen-before high.

The latest of these performances was the Women in Blue clinching a silver medal in the recently-concluded Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham.

LIVE TELECAST

KSCA Maharaja Trophy: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & FanCode, 3 p.m. & 7 p.m.
Premier League: SS Select 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 5 p.m., 7.30 p.m. & 10 p.m.
Bundesliga: Sony Ten 2 (SD & HD) & Sony LIV, 7 p.m. & 10 p.m.
Serie A: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 10 p.m. & 12.15 a.m. (Sunday)
La Liga: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 10.30 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday)

Afghanistan pulls one back

AGENCIES
BELFAST

Afghanistan beat Ireland by 22 runs in their third T20I match here on Friday to stay alive in the five-game series. Ireland leads 2-1. Rahmanullah Gurbaz (53) top scored for the visitors, while George Dockrell (58 n.o.) played a valiant knock for the hosts.

The scores: Afghanistan 189/5 in 20 overs (Hazratullah Zazai 39, Rahmanullah Gurbaz 53, Ibrahim Zadran 36, Najibullah Zadran 42, Josh Little 2/29) bt Ireland 167/9 in 20 overs (Lorcan Tucker 31, George Dockrell 58, Fionn Hand 36, Fazalhaq Farooqi 2/11, Naveen-ul-Haq 3/38, Mujeeb Ur Rahman 2/28).

Date-change overshadows 100-day countdown

Host Qatar's opening match will now be a standalone gala affair

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE
DOHA

FIFA and Qatar organisers on Friday counted the cost of bringing forward the start of the World Cup by a day as they launched the 100-day countdown to the event.

Football's ruling body and the wealthy Gulf state both promised action to help fans, sponsors and broadcasters hit by the change, announced late Thursday, but did not give details.

The sudden move to bring forward Qatar's match against Ecuador by 24 hours – to make it the gala opening match – has only added to the public relations concerns as the conservative host country counters criticism of its rights record and fan worries about what to expect when they arrive.

"It is less than three months from the start. This has come out of the blue. It is not critical but it is a headache," said an executive for one World Cup broadcaster.

FIFA said its president Gianni Infantino and the six heads of the continental confederations had unanimously agreed to make Qatar's game and the official opening ceremony a "standalone" event.

"The change ensures the continuity of a long-standing tradition of marking the start of the World Cup with an opening ceremony on the occasion of the first match featuring either the hosts or the defending champions," FIFA said in a statement.

Under the old schedule, Qatar against Ecuador was to be the official inauguration match on the evening of November 21 but Senegal against the Netherlands would have been the first match of the day, followed England against Iran.

Under the new plan, the Group A game between Senegal and the Netherlands has been shifted from 1 p.m. (local time) on November 21 to 7 p.m. start.

Bopanna & Middelkoop make an early exit

INDIANS ABROAD

SPORTS BUREAU

Rohan Bopanna and Matwe Middelkoop were beaten 6-1, 6-7(3), [12-10] by Hubert Hurkacz and Jan Zielinski in the doubles second round of the $6,573,785 ATP tennis tournament in Montreal.

In the Challenger in Germany, Sumit Nagal went down fighting in three sets to top seed Bernabe Zapata Miralles in the quarterfinals.

The results: $6,573,785 ATP, Montreal, Canada: Second round: Hubert Hurkacz & Jann Zielinski (Pol) bt Matwe Middelkoop (Ned) & Rohan Bopanna 6-1, 6-7(3), [12-10].

€45,730 Challenger, Meerbusch, Germany: Quarterfinals: Bernabe Zapata Miralles (Esp) bt Sumit Nagal 6-2, 1-6, 7-5.

Doubles: Semifinals: David Pel (Ned) & Szymon Walkow (Pol) bt Sriram Balaji & Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan 6-4, 6-7(5), [10-6];

$100,000 ITF women, Landisville, USA: First round: Hanna Chang & Makenna Jones (USA) w.o. Iryna Shymanovich & Karman Kaur Thandi.

$25,000 ITF women, Usst-Kamenogorsk, Kazakhstan: Quarterfinals: Gozal Ainitdinova (Kaz) bt Ashmitha Easwaramurthi 5-1 (retired).

Doubles: Quarterfinals: Mariia Tkacheva & Ekaterina Yashina bt Sowjanya Bavisetti & Sahaja Yamalapalli 6-3, 6-4.

$15,000 ITF, Monastir, Tunisia: Women: Quarterfinals: Dong Na & Liu Yuhan (Chn) bt Hanna Vinahradava & Jennifer Lluikham 6-4, 4-6, [10-0]; Saki Imamura (Jpn) & Priska Madelyn Nugroho (Ina) bt Shrivalli Bhamidipaty & Nidhi Chilumula 6-0, 6-1.

Men: Doubles: Quarterfinals: Mohamed Ali Abibsi (Alg) & Sai Karteek Reddy Ganta bt Anthony Genov (Bul) & Maximus Jones (Tha) 3-6, 6-4, [10-4]; Nicolas Alviani (Esp) & Isaac Nortey (Gha) bt Rithvik Choudary Bollipalli & Niki Poonacha 6-4, 7-6(6).

$15,000 ITF, Cancun, Mexico: Women: Second round: Lya Fernandez (Mex) bt Prathyusha Rachapudi 6-3, 6-2.

Men: First round: Seita Watanabe (Jpn) bt Aditya Vishal Balsekar 6-4, 7-5.

$15,000 ITF men, Jakarta, Indonesia: Quarterfinals: Sasikumar Mukund bt Lee Duckhee (Kor) 6-0, 6-1; Shintaro Imai (Jpn) bt S.D. Prajwal Dev 2-6, 7-6(10), 6-3.

Laxman to be acting head coach in Zimbabwe

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
NEW DELHI

The National Cricket Academy head V.V.S. Laxman will be India's acting head coach for the upcoming tour of Zimbabwe as there is only a short turnaround time between the series and the Asia Cup starting on August 27 in the UAE, BCCI secretary Jay Shah said on Friday.

The three ODIs in Zimbabwe will be played in Harare on August 18, 20 and 22.

"Yes, V.V.S. Laxman will be in charge of the Indian team in Zimbabwe for the three-match ODI series. It's not like Rahul Dravid is taking a break. The ODI series in Zimbabwe finishes on August 22 and Dravid along with Indian team will reach the UAE on August 23. Since there is little gap between the two events, Laxman will be in charge of the Indian squad in Zimbabwe," Shah told PTI on Friday.

"Since only K.L. [Rahul] and [Deepak] Hooda are there with the ODI squad in Zimbabwe, it was only logical that the head coach would be with the T20 squad."

Shah also informed that Rahul and Deepak Hooda will directly fly from Dubai to Harare as they are part of the Asia Cup squad.

Filling in: Laxman will take charge while Dravid flies to the UAE for the Asia Cup. • REUTERS

Dwayne Bravo scales a new high

Dwayne Bravo. • FILE PHOTO

ANI
KENNINGTON [UK]

Former West Indies all-rounder Dwayne Bravo on Thursday became the first-ever bowler to clinch 600 wickets in T20 cricket. The legendary all-rounder reached this landmark during his side Northern Superchargers' match against the Oval Invincibles at the ongoing The Hundred competition.

Bravo bowled a superb delivery, rattling the all-rounder Sam Curran's middle stump. Curran made 60 off 39 balls.

Bravo reached 600 wickets in 545 matches at an average of 24.12 and an economy rate of 8.21. His best figures in the format are 5/23.

Fury decides to hang up his gloves

Fury. • AFP

REUTERS
LONDON

WBC heavyweight champion Tyson Fury said on Friday he is to "walk away" from boxing, two days after insisting he would make a comeback to the sport to complete a trilogy against fellow-Briton Derek Chisora.

Fury said in April, after beating Dillian Whyte at Wembley Stadium, that he had promised his wife he would retire, before then declaring his interest in fighting Anthony Joshua in England provided the bout was free to watch and attend.

The promise of completing two trilogies, one with Deontay Wilder and a second with Chisora, appeared to confirm Fury's retirement plans had been shelved, only for him to make another u-turn.

Vidyashilp and Chinmaya triumph

HOCKEY

SPORTS REPORTER
BENGALURU

St. Joseph's Boys' High School suffered a double heartbreak as the host lost the under-14 and under-17 finals of the St. Joseph's Boys' High School (SJBHS) inter-school hockey tournament here on Friday.

In the Fr. Eric Vaz Memorial (under-14) junior final, Vidyashilp Academy edged out SJBHS via sudden death.

The Centenary Shield (under-17) senior summit clash followed, where Chinmaya Vidyalaya defeated SJBHS 2-1.

Chinmaya's Mayur Manish played a key role in his team's victory, creating chances with incisive runs. Chinmaya scored the first goal in the 37th minute when Manish found teammate Sai Sreekaran inside the shooting circle. K. Chethan doubled the advantage a few minutes later, when advancing in tandem with Amogh.

Once Chinmaya gained the lead, midfielder Manish dropped back to defence, where he was effective in thwarting SJBHS's attacks. SJBHS's D.S. Ashish scored a late consolation goal.

In the junior final, Vidyashilp took the title on the back of a shootout sudden death goal from Harsha. P. Skanda Coushik (Vidyashilp) and Joel Paul (SJBHS) found the net to leave regulation time tied at 1-1. The ensuing shootout ended 2-2, which led to sudden death.

Triumphant: The Vidyashilp Academy, top, and Chinmaya Vidyalaya squads with their reward. • SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Former India hockey player Len Aiyappa was introduced to the teams before the start of the under-14 final. Hockey Olympian and Arjuna awardee S.V. Sunil did the honours ahead of The Centenary Shield summit clash.

The results (finals): Centenary Shield (Under-17): Chinmaya Vidyalaya 2 (Sai Sreekaran 37, K. Chethan 45) bt SJBHS 1 (D.S. Ashish 49).

Special prizes: Best goalkeeper: Parag (Chinmaya); **best defender:** Rhys D'Kunha (SJBHS); **best midfielder:** Manish (Chinmaya); **best forward:** Nayan (Vidyashilp); **top goal-scorer:** Arjun (FAPS); **promising player:** Mahendra (Chinmaya); **player-of-the-tournament:** Faroz (FAPS).

Fr. Eric Vaz Memorial (Under-14): Vidyashilp Academy 1 (P. Skanda Coushik 5) bt SJBHS 1 (Joel Paul 36) (via sudden death shootout).

Special prizes: Best goalkeeper: Harishankar (Chinmaya); **best defender:** Samson (SJBHS); **best midfielder:** V. Harshavardhan (Vidyashilp); **best forward:** P. Skanada Coushik (Vidyashilp); **promising player:** Aayaan (SJBHS); **player-of-the-tournament:** Surya (SJBHS).

President likely to attend final

DURAND CUP

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
KOLKATA

The President of India, Droupadi Murmu, is likely to be present as the chief guest at the closing ceremony of Durand Cup's 131st edition, as the season-opener of the country's football calendar looks to regain its glory days.

The President, who is also the supreme commander of the country's armed forces, regularly attended the final of the tournament before the practice was discontinued a few years ago.

The tournament has already been recognised as an official Cup event happening at the start of the season by the continental body Asian Football Confederation, encouraging the organiser to expand the format to 20 teams and add two more venues (Guwahati and Imphal) in a multi-city arrangement. The tournament gets underway here on Aug. 16 while the final is scheduled to be held on Sept. 18 at the Salt Lake Stadium.

"With the Durand Cup getting recognised as an official tournament in the country's football calendar, we are hopeful that it will be growing in stature every season. Keeping that in mind we have a sent a request to have President Murmu as the chief guest in the closing ceremony," said the chairman of the organizing committee, Lt. Gen K.K. Repswal. The organisers have approached the Chief Minister of West Bengal, Mamata Banerjee, to inaugurate the tournament.

The tournament will also see an increase in the prize money with the winner bagging ₹60 lakh and the runner-up getting ₹40 lakh. The amount may further increase depending on a bigger support from the sponsors, it was informed.

Indian team for shotgun World Championship

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

Vivaan Kapoor, Shreyasi Singh, Mairaj Ahmad Khan and Maheshwari Chauhan will spearhead the Indian challenge in trap and skeet in the shotgun World Championship to be staged in Osijek, Croatia, from September 19 to October 12.

The championship will offer four Olympic quota places each for trap and skeet for men and women for Paris 2024.

Apart from the individual events, India will also compete in the team events in all sections, including juniors. The top two shooters in each event will also compete in the mixed team events.

The team: Trap: Men: Vivaan Kapoor, Prithviraj Tondaiman, Bhowneesh Mendiratta.

Juniors: Shapath Bharadwaj, Shardul Vihan, Arya Vansh Tyagi.

Women: Shreyasi Singh, Manisha Keer, Neeru.

Juniors: Preeti Rajak, Sabeera Haris, Aadya Tripathi.

Skeet: Men: Mairaj Ahmad Khan, Anantjeet Singh Naruka, Parampal Singh Guron.

Juniors: Abhay Singh Sekhon, Bhavtegh Singh Gill, Rituraj Bundela.

Women: Maheshwari Chauhan, Raiza Dhillon, Darshana Rathore.

Juniors: Parinaaz Dhaliwal, Areeba Khan, Zahra Deesawala.

De Kock, Holder sign for RPSG Durban

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
DURBAN

Five Lucknow Super Giants players, including star South African Quinton de Kock and former West Indies captain Jason Holder, have signed for the RPSG Durban franchise that will take part in the inaugural edition of CSA T20 League.

The other three players are Kyle Mayers, English seamer Reece Topley and uncapped South African Prenelan Subrayan.

De Kock. • AFP

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A-G 'personally approved' Trump search

After the ex-President called the raid unprecedented, Garland urges judge to unseal the FBI warrant

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE
WASHINGTON

U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland said on Thursday he had "personally approved" the dramatic search at Donald Trump's Florida estate and, in a highly unusual move, was requesting the warrant justifying the search be made public.

The country's top prosecutor did not reveal the reason for the unprecedented search of the home of a former U.S. President, and condemned "unfounded attacks" on the FBI and the Justice Department that followed it.

"I personally approved the decision to seek a search warrant," Mr. Garland told reporters in his first public statement since Monday's search. "The department does not take such a decision lightly."

While noting that "ethical obligations" prevented him detailing the basis of the raid, Mr. Garland said he had asked a Florida judge to unseal the warrant because Mr. Trump had publicly confirmed the search and there was "substantial public interest in this matter."

Legal tangle: Donald Trump on his way to the New York A-G's office for a deposition on Wednesday. •REUTERS

Release details: Trump

Mr. Trump, who has a copy of the search warrant but has – so far – declined to reveal its contents, said late Thursday night he would not oppose the unsealing of the warrant. "Not only will I not oppose the release of documents... I am going a step further by ENCOURAGING the immediate release of those documents," the former President wrote on Truth Social, the social media site he launched this year.

In another post, Mr. Trump repeated his claim that the search was an "unprecedented political weaponisation of law enforcement."

Andrew Weissmann, a former Justice Department official, said Mr. Garland had "called Trump's bluff" by putting the onus on the former President to object or consent to release of the document.

The Justice Department motion to unseal the warrant noted – and did not dispute – statements by Mr. Trump's representatives that the FBI was seeking presidential records and potential classified material.

According to U.S. media, the search related to potential mishandling of classified documents taken to Mar-a-Lago after Mr. Trump left the White House in January 2021.

Classified documents

The *Washington Post* on Thursday cited anonymous sources close to the investigation as saying that classified documents relating to nuclear weapons were among the papers sought by the FBI agents during the raid.

The newspaper did not clarify if the nuclear weapons involved belonged to the U.S. or to another country.

The FBI raid on Mr. Trump's palatial Mar-a-Lago residence sparked a political firestorm in an already bitterly divided country, and comes as he is weighing another White House run in 2024.

In a statement on his Truth Social platform on Thursday, Mr. Trump said his attorneys had been "cooperating fully" and "the government could have had whatever they wanted, if we had it."

"And then, out of nowhere and with no warning, Mar-a-Lago was raided at 6:30 in the morning," he said, adding that agents even "went through the First Lady's closets and rummaged through her clothing and personal items."

Leading Republicans have rallied around Mr. Trump, and some members of his party have harshly denounced the Justice Department and FBI, accusing them of partisanship in targeting the former President.

Mr. Garland criticised what he called "unfounded attacks on the professionalism of the FBI and Justice Department agents and prosecutors."

An armed man was shot dead by police on Thursday after trying to break into an FBI office in Cincinnati, Ohio, police said.

U.S., Indonesia, Australia hold drills amid China concerns

Beijing sees the 'Super Garuda Shield exercises' as a threat

ASSOCIATED PRESS
BATURAJA

Soldiers from the U.S., Indonesia and Australia joined a live-fire drill on Friday, part of annual joint combat exercises on Sumatra island amid growing Chinese maritime activity in the Indo-Pacific region.

A total of more than 5,000 personnel from the U.S., Indonesia, Australia, Japan and Singapore are participating in this year's Super Garuda Shield exercises, making them the largest since they began in 2009.

The expanded drills are seen by China as a threat. Chinese state media have accused the U.S. of building an Indo-Pacific alliance similar to NATO to limit China's growing military and diplomatic influence in the region.

India sends observer

The U.K., Canada, France, India, Malaysia, South Korea, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and East Timor also sent observers to the exercises, which began early this month.

Joining forces: U.S. and Indonesian soldiers during Super Garuda Shield military drill in Baturaja on Friday. •AP

The U.S. Indo-Pacific commander, Admiral John C. Aquilino, said the 14 nations involved in the training are signalling their stronger ties as China grows increasingly assertive in claiming virtually the entire South China Sea and holds exercises threatening self-ruled Taiwan.

"The destabilising actions by the People's Republic of China as it applied to the threatening activities and actions against Taiwan is exactly what we are trying to avoid," he said at a joint news conference with Indonesian military chief Gen. Andika Perkasa in Baturaja, a coastal town in South Sumatra province.

"We'll continue to help deliver a free and open Indo-Pacific and be ready when we need to respond to any contingency," Aquilino said.

The joint combat exercises will come to a close on Sunday.

'Iran may accept EU plan on nuclear deal if demands met'

REUTERS
DUBAI

A European Union proposal to revive the 2015 Iran nuclear deal "can be acceptable if it provides assurances" on Tehran's key demands, the state news agency IRNA said on Friday, quoting a senior Iranian diplomat.

The EU said on Monday it had put forward a "final" text following four days of indirect talks between U.S. and Iranian officials in Vienna.

A senior EU official said no more changes could be made to the text, which has been under negotiation for 15 months. He said he expected a final decision from the parties within a "very, very few weeks."

IRNA quoted the unidentified Iranian diplomat as saying Tehran was reviewing the proposal.

"Proposals by the EU can be acceptable if they provide Iran with assurance on the issues of safeguards, sanctions and guarantees," the diplomat said.

The Islamic Republic has sought to obtain guarantees that no future U.S. President would renege on the deal if it were revived, as former President Donald Trump did in 2018 and restored harsh U.S. sanctions on Iran.

However, President Joe Biden cannot provide such ironclad assurances because the deal is a political understanding rather than a legally binding treaty.

Amid political impasse, rivals rally in Baghdad

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE
BAGHDAD

Supporters of Iraq's powerful Shia Muslim cleric Moqtada Sadr rallied at Friday prayers, as their opponents gathered for a rival demonstration in the politically-divided country.

The opposing demonstrations were the latest turn in a standoff which has so far remained peaceful in the war-scarred country.

Thousands of supporters of Sadr, who once led a militia against American and Iraqi government forces, gathered for the Muslim weekly prayers near Parliament inside the normally secure Green Zone.

His rivals in the pro-Iran Coordination Framework started a counter-demonstration later Friday.

Several thousand protesters waving the national flag gathered on a road leading towards the Green Zone, an AFP correspondent reported.

Loudspeakers played the national anthem.

Latvia, Estonia exit China-backed East Europe cooperation forum

ASSOCIATED PRESS
BEIJING

Latvia and Estonia have left a Chinese-backed forum aimed at boosting relations with Eastern European countries, according to officials, in what appears to be a new setback for China's increasingly assertive diplomacy.

The move follows China's boosting of its relations with Russia, whose invasion of Ukraine is seen as a possible first step in a series of moves against countries that were once part of the Soviet Union. China has refused to criticise Russia and has condemned punishing economic sanctions imposed on Moscow by the West.

Weeks before the invasion, President and Communist Party leader Xi Jinping hosted Russian President Vladimir Putin in Beijing and declared their bilateral ties had "no limits".

"In view of the current priorities of Latvian foreign and trade policy, Latvia has decided to cease its participation in the cooperation framework of Central and Eastern European Countries and China," Latvia's Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

Estonia issued a similar statement. China set up the forum to strengthen ties with EU members as well as Serbia and others, partly to further Mr. Xi's signature Belt and Road Initiative to build infrastructure across the Eurasian continent.

Where are our children, ask mothers

Tamil mothers of those who disappeared during war mark 2,000 days of struggle

MEERA SRINIVASAN
COLOMBO

Hundreds of Tamil mothers on Friday took out a rally in Sri Lanka's northern Kilinochchi district to mark 2,000 days of their relentless struggle, seeking truth and justice for their loved ones forcibly disappeared during and after the civil war.

Women wearing black sarees and headbands marched in Kilinochchi carrying photographs of their missing relatives. "Where are children who surrendered to the army?", "Arrest Gotabaya who was involved in a genocide", "We want justice", they chanted.

"We've been agitating for 2,000 days now, but justice has not been served. We want to draw attention to our struggle and highlight this long-pending issue before the Human Rights Council session meets in Geneva next month," Kadirgamanathan Kohilavani, leader of a Kilinochchi-based group of families of disappeared told *The Hindu*. "We really hope they [Council] will do something to ensure justice for us," she said.

Seeking answers: Families of missing youth taking out a rally in Kilinochchi district on Friday. •SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Ongoing struggle

Enforced disappearances have been among the chief concerns of thousands of Tamil families in the north and east lingering for over 13 years since the war ended. Families are relentlessly seeking information on the whereabouts of those who surrendered to the army during the last stages of the war when former President Gotabaya was Defence Secretary. Their ongoing struggle, led by women, is among the longest agitations seen in Sri Lanka.

Sri Lanka has one of the world's highest number of disappearances, according to rights watchdog Amnesty International. There is a backlog of 60,000 to 1,00,000 complaints, it notes, including from the island's Sinhala-majority south where thousands of youth went missing around the armed insurrections led by the leftist Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna [JVP] in the early 1970s and late 1980s.

Several groups of families have been persisting with their agitations. The groups have at times had differences, in their demands and as well as the strategy for their struggle, but are bound by a shared resolve to continue seeking answers to the troubling questions that haunt them every day. At least 138 people, mostly mothers of these disappeared children, have died during the struggle, according to the women involved in the demonstrations.

"Many of the mothers of these disappeared children, especially those depending on a daily wage job, are facing enormous hardships while continuing to agitate for justice. Some of them are eating only one or two meals instead of three because of the current situation," said Ms. Kohilavani, pointing to the impact of the island's harrowing economic crisis on the women.

"No matter how hard things get, we will not stop demanding justice for our children," she said.

A year lost, future tense for Afghan girl students

'26% of them show signs of depression'

ASSOCIATED PRESS
KABUL

For most teenage girls in Afghanistan, it's been a year since they set foot in a classroom. With no sign the ruling Taliban will allow them back to school, some are trying to find ways to keep education from stalling for a generation of young women.

At a house in Kabul, dozens gather in an informal school set up by Sodaba Nazhand. She and her sister teach English, Science and Maths to girls. "When the Taliban wanted to take away the rights of education and work from women, I wanted to stand against their decision by teaching these girls," she said.

Hers is one of a number of underground schools in operation since the Taliban banned girls from continuing their education past the sixth grade. While women are allowed to attend universities, this exception will become irrelevant when there are no more girls graduating from high schools.

A survey by Save the Children found that 26% of girls are showing signs of depression, compared with 16% of boys.

Ex-Chancellor Schroeder sues German Parliament

Seeks to restore post-retirement perks

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE
BERLIN

Former Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder has sued the German Parliament for removing some of his official post-retirement perks over his links to Russian President Vladimir Putin and state-backed energy companies, his lawyer said on Friday.

The decision to suspend Mr. Schroeder's taxpayer-funded office and staff in May was "contrary to the rule of law", Michael Nagel, Mr. Schroeder's lawyer who filed the complaint with an administrative Berlin Court, told broadcaster NDR.

Mr. Nagel noted that the Social Democrat had asked for a hearing before the budget committee responsible but was not given the chance to express himself.

The budget committee in its decision concluded that Mr. Schroeder "no longer upholds the continuing obligations of his office".

Despite resigning from the board of Russian oil company Rosneft and turning down a post on the supervisory board of gas giant Gazprom in May, the former Chancellor has maintained close relations with the Kremlin.

MARKET WATCH

	12-08-2022	% CHANGE
Sensex	59,463	0.22
US Dollar	79.74	-0.15
Gold	52,915	0.39
Brent oil	98.22	-1.43

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Ports	788.35	-4.40
Apollo Hosp	4312.75	-116.90
Asian Paints	3427.85	22.65
Axis Bank	760.55	1.70
Bajaj Auto	4038.00	4.50
Bajaj Finserv	15765.45	28.50
Bajaj Finance	7309.40	-9.55
Bharti Airtel	709.70	-0.10
BPCL	333.90	5.55
Britannia Ind	3659.75	19.45
Cipla	1027.15	-11.25
Coal India	221.65	1.05
Divis Lab	3726.20	-221.85
Dr Reddys Lab	4260.80	2.50
Eicher Motors	3210.15	33.70
Grasim Ind	1622.60	22.55
HCL Tech	956.40	-5.95
HDFC	2456.40	1.55
HDFC Bank	1485.15	-0.55
HDFC Life	544.95	3.40
Hero MotoCorp	2761.90	-23.40
Hindalco	436.25	2.75
Hind Unilever	2594.95	-18.75
ICICI Bank	874.40	14.70
Indusind Bank	1080.45	1.25
Infosys	1594.10	-25.85
ITC	308.55	2.30
JSW Steel	678.20	4.60
Kotak Bank	1841.20	-12.30
L&T	1846.45	-20.70
M&M	1259.45	-6.75
Maruti Suzuki	8699.20	-114.65
Nestle India Ltd.	19543.25	-136.35
NTPC	158.50	4.85
ONGC	139.20	6.40
PowerGrid Corp	228.05	5.20
Reliance Ind	2633.00	41.90
SBI Life	1286.55	25.05
State Bank	530.70	5.95
Shree Cement	21152.20	-40.75
Sun Pharma	913.45	-7.60
Tata Consumer Products Ltd	763.45	-10.00
Tata Motors	477.55	0.90
Tata Steel	112.65	3.55
TCS	3401.55	-20.95
Tech Mahindra	1065.90	-11.35
Titan	2471.95	-0.40
UltraTech Cement	6559.30	-37.80
UPL	788.90	21.40
Wipro	436.10	-2.35

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on August 12

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	79.46	79.78
Euro	81.77	82.10
British Pound	96.29	96.68
Japanese Yen (100)	59.47	59.72
Chinese Yuan	11.78	11.83
Swiss Franc	84.25	84.59
Singapore Dollar	57.93	58.17
Canadian Dollar	62.19	62.44
Malaysian Ringitt	17.87	17.95
Australian Dollar	56.33	56.56

Source:Indian Bank

Apollo Tyres net rises 53% on cost control

CHENNAI

Apollo Tyres' standalone net profit for the quarter ended June rose 53% to ₹104 crore on 'tighter' control of costs and 'timely' pricing actions.

Industrial output growth slows

IIP expands 12.3% from a year earlier, but rises only 0.14% over May 2022 levels

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

India's industrial output grew 12.3% year-on-year in June, moderating from 19.6% this May, led by a 16.4% uptick in electricity and 12.5% growth in manufacturing. Mining activity grew 7.5% in the month.

The Index of Industrial Production (IIP), however, grew only 0.14% over May 2022, with manufacturing being the only sector to report a sequential uptick in output in June, rising 1.34%.

Production of consumer durables and capital goods led the growth trajectory among use-based categories for the second month in a row, rising 26.1% and 23.8%, respectively, in June. This is the third successive month of output growth for consumer durables after six months of contraction. By contrast, consumer non-durables' output growth was 2.9% after a 0.9% rise in May.

Primary goods output rose 13.7%, followed by intermediate goods (11%) and infrastructure/construction items which grew 8%. However, these three sectors reported a sequential decline from May's output levels, with primary goods slipping 3.8%, intermediate goods 2.9% and construction goods 2.7%.

Although growth in consumer non-durables is still low, it was the highest in five months, noted India Ratings economists Sunil Kumar Sinha and Paras Jasrai.

"A rebound in this sector is important for a durable and sustained industrial recovery which so far has been witnessing a K-shaped recovery (tepid growth in consumer non-durables and high growth in consumer durables segment)," they said, adding that a moderate recovery may occur in coming months with the progression of the monsoon.

"Given the moderation in the year-on-year performance recorded by most high-frequency indicators in July 2022, such as electricity generation and non-oil exports, we expect the IIP growth to ease to high single digits," said ICRA chief economist Aditi Nayar.

Slowing progress: ICRA predicts IIP growth will ease to high single digits, going by high-frequency indicators. •FILE PHOTO

Corporate tax revenue rose 34% till July 31

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

India's corporate tax collections have grown by a 'robust' 34% by July 31 this fiscal, compared with a year earlier, the Income Tax Department said on Friday, without sharing the revenues for the period.

Noting that the tax regime with low rates and no exemptions had lived up to its promise, the department cited corporate tax collections that had grown 58% to ₹7.23 lakh crore in FY22, and 9% over pre-COVID levels of FY19. The statements on Twitter assume significance amid Opposition parties' charges of the Centre favouring corporates while seeking a debate on freebies announced by the States.

Exports grew 2% in July, imports jumped 44%

Trade deficit stood at record $30 bn

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

India's goods exports grew 2.1% in July to $36.27 billion while imports jumped 43.6% to $66.27 billion, as per quick estimates from the Commerce and Industry Ministry that raised the export figure by about $1 billion compared with the preliminary data released on August 2.

Consequently, India's merchandise trade deficit moderated from an earlier estimate of $31.02 billion to $30 billion, still an all-time high deficit in a month.

The merchandise trade deficit for the first four months of 2022-23 is now estimated at $98.99 billion as against $42.07 billion in the same period last year, reflecting a 135.3% rise. July marks the third successive month where India's goods trade deficit has breached previous records.

The upward change in outbound shipments' estimates, which had earlier indicated a 0.8% contraction year-on-year, seemed to stem largely from petroleum products exports that increased 9.2% to cross $6.3 billion. They were earlier reckoned to have dipped 7.07% in July.

Sectors such as handicrafts and cotton yarn saw a decline in exports compared with July 2021. Gold imports fell 43.6% to $2.37 billon but coal imports soared 164.4% to $5.18 billion. Petroleum imports grew 70.4% to $21.13 billion.

LIC Q1 net profit surges to ₹683 crore from ₹3 cr.

Total premium income rose 20.4%

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
MUMBAI

Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) Ltd. reported standalone first-quarter net profit surged to ₹682.88 crore from ₹2.94 crore in the year-earlier period. Total premium income rose 20.4% to ₹98,351.77 crore.

LIC said marketing activity picked up pace and the overall business momentum was strong. The market share in first-year premium income stood at 65.4% for the quarter, compared with 67.5% a year earlier.

A total of 36.81 lakh policies were sold in the individual segment, up 59.6%.

"We have done quite well in this quarter," said chairperson M.R. Kumar. "Q1 is always a slow start. We are positive going forward."

He said, "While the growth numbers are very robust for the first quarter in comparison to the same quarter of FY2021-22, we are aware that the Q1 of the previous year was impacted by a very tough second wave of COVID. However, the trajectory is upwards and we are looking at increased business volumes as is evident in our market share in the year to date since January 2022".

July auto sales to dealers rise 10.6%: SIAM

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

Automobile dispatches to dealers jumped 10.6% in 17,06,545 units in July, aided by increased production following improved semiconductor availability. But, entry-level passenger cars, two-wheelers and three-wheelers are yet to recover, said the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM).

"Sales in passenger vehicles... stood at 2.9 lakh units; two-wheelers [clocked] 13.8 lakh units and three-wheeler sales were 31,000 units," Rajesh Menon, director general, SIAM, said.

"Third hike in repo rates in a row... will make auto loans costlier, making it more difficult for entry-level vehicles to recover."

India Cements Q1 net doubles

Power, fuel costs rise 54%, says MD; firm may raise prices

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
CHENNAI

The India Cements Ltd. reported standalone net profit for the first quarter more than doubled to ₹76 crore over the year-earlier period.

Revenue from operations rose by 41% to ₹1,446 crore and total expenditure by 57% to ₹1,526 crore, the company said in a filing.

"The company has opted for rates of Income tax as specified under Section 115BAA of The Income Tax Act 1961. Consequent to which, the company's deferred tax liability obligation has been recomputed resulting in a reversal of ₹148.10 crore," the company said.

"The spiralling increase in the cost of input materials continued during the quarter without a corresponding increase in the selling price of cement resulting in a sub-optimal performance," N. Srinivasan, vice-chairman and MD, told reporters.

N. Srinivasan

Variable costs climb

According to him, the increase in power and fuel costs alone was more than 54%, while the overall increase in variable cost was about 40%, with marginal savings in other items of raw materials and stores.

"Since power and fuel are the main causes, we could not do anything against the onslaught. It is an extraordinary situation," he said.

ICL had recently imported two shipments of coal from Russia and had two months' worth of stocks.

Stating that generally, in the South, companies had been able to pass on the increase in the cost to consumers, he said: "This time, it did not happen. Possibly the increase was so sharp."

To offset the rising cost, ICL said it might go in for a price increase. On the outlook, Mr. Srinivasan said he did not immediately foresee any sharp drop in fuel prices. The exact scenario would be known in the coming weeks. During the quarter, overall clinker production rose 28% while cement sales increased by 38% to 25.53 lakh tonnes.

Five Chinese firms to delist from NYSE

REUTERS
SHANGHAI/HONG KONG

Five Chinese state-owned companies, including oil giant Sinopec and China Life Insurance, said on Friday they would delist from the New York Stock Exchange, amid economic and diplomatic tensions with the United States.

The companies, which include Aluminium Corporation of China, PetroChina and Sinopec Shanghai Petrochemical Co., each said they would apply to delist their American Depository Shares this month.

The five, which in May were flagged by the U.S. securities regulator as failing to meet auditing standards, will keep their Hong Kong and mainland Chinese market listings.

Padikkal, Rohan excel in Mystics' win

Mayank's unbeaten century highlights Blasters' easy victory

MAHARAJA TROPHY

CORRESPONDENT
MYSURU

Openers Devdutt Padikkal (64, 47b, 8x4, 2x6) and Rohan Patil (61 n.o., 40b, 5x4, 2x6) helped Gulbarga Mystics score a facile nine-wicket win over Hubli Tigers and register its third win in four games on the sixth day of the Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 tournament here on Friday.

Southpaw Padikkal batted freely, and executed his drives and pulls to perfection, to add 91 runs for the opening wicket with the in-form Rohan. Rohan and Jeshwanth Acharya (17 n.o, 13b, 1x4, 1x6) then put on 58 (28b) to take Mystics home.

Earlier, put into bat, Tigers had posted 145 for eight in 20 overs.

In the second match, skipper Mayank Agarwal's unbeaten 102 (49b, 10x4, 6x6) helped Bengaluru Blasters register an easy nine-wicket win over Shivamogga Strikers.

After Mayank and L.R. Chethan (34, 15b, 4x4, 2x6) had added 69 for the opening wicket, an unbroken stand of 107 (64b) between Mayank and K.V. Aneesh (35 n.o, 30b, 3x4) helped Blasters register their third win.

Shivamogga, which had taken first strike, posted 173 for two in a match reduced to 19 overs-a-side as rain stopped play in the middle of its innings.

The scores: Hubli Tigers 145/8 in 20 overs (Tushar Singh 42, Luvnith Sisodia 30, M.G. Naveen 24, Ritesh Bhatkal 2/13, M.S.Bhandage 2/19, Abhilash Shetty 2/26) lost to Gulbarga Mystics 146/1 in 16.4 overs (Devdutt Padikkal 64, Rohan Patil 61 n.o)

Shivamogga Strikers 173/2 in 19 overs (Rohan Kadam 84, B.R. Sharath 51) lost to Bengaluru Blasters 176/1 in 15.4 overs (Mayank Agarwal 102 n.o., K.V.Aneesh 35 n.o., L.R. Chethan 34) *by VJD method*.

Smooth! Padikkal executed his shots to perfection •M.A. SRIRAM

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

Nina breaks 13-year-old mark

Nina Venkatesh rewrote a 13-year-old State record in 50m butterfly (28.67, C. Shubha) coming home in 28.59s, on the opening day of the Karnataka State senior aquatic championship at the Padukone Dravid Centre for Sports Excellence on Friday. In all, eight new meet records were set.

Select results (winners all): Men: 800m freestyle: Aneesh S. Gowda, 8:24.97s (NMR; OR: A.P. Gagan, 8:26.03, 2012); **200m backstroke:** Srihari Nataraj, 2:04.08s (NMR; OR: Self, 2:06.37, 2021); **400m IM:** S. Siva, 4:33.77 (NMR; OR: Self, 4:36.37, 2019); **4x200m relay:** BAC-A, 7:56.33 (NMR; OR: BAC, 7:59.98, 2011).

Women: 100m breaststroke: Manavi Varma, 1:16.73 (NMR: OR: Harshitha Jayaram and Saloni Dalal, 1:16.73, 2017); **200m backstroke:** Ridhima Veerendra Kumar, 2:24.55 (NMR; OR: Suvana C. Baskar, 2:25.58, 2021); **50m butterfly:** Nina Venkatesh, 28.59 (NMR; OR: C. Shubha, 28.67, 2009); **400m IM:** A. Jedidah, 5:18.76 (NMR; OR: V. Tejaswini, 5:20.22, 2006).

Mandya Bulls blanks Bandipur Tuskers

Anirudh Deshpande upset fancied Daniel Farid in straight games 15-9, 15-6 to help Mandya Bulls defeat Bandipur Tuskers 7-0, on the opening day of the Grand Prix Badminton League on Friday.

The results: Mandya Bulls bt Bandipur Tuskers 7-0 (Ananya Praveen lost to Alfiya Riyas 14-15, 8-15; Ashith Surya & Sai Pratheek (Trump match) bt Kishal Ganapathy & V. Vaibhav 15-11, 15-12; Anirudh Deshpande bt Daniel Farid (Trump match) 15-9, 15-6; M. Madhusudhan & Ruth Misha Vinod bt Abhishek Yeligar & Apeksha Nayak 10-15, 15-14, 15-12; Ashith Surya & Sai Pratheek & M. Madhusudhan bt Abhishek Yeligar & V. Vaibhav & Ganesh Vittalji 21-16).

Yashaswani stars in DYES SH's win

Yashaswini (30 points) powered DYES Sports Hostel Mysore past CJC 42-18 in the girls' quarterfinals of the State Youth basketball championship.

The results: Girls: Quarterfinals: Southern Blues 61 (S. Nidhi 26, Sakshi 11) bt Appaiah BC 35 (Hasini 13 Linsha 10); Mounts Club 56 (Mridya 15, Nakshathra 15) bt BCBC 50 (Trisha 24, Sachika 10); DYES Sports Hostel Mysore 42 (Yashaswini 30, Brunda 10) beat CJC 18 (Aadhya Gowda 13).

Abinav and Irene take titles

Abinav Prasanna and Irene Anna Subhash won the Hopes boys' and girls' titles respectively in the Karnataka State-ranking table tennis tournament organised by Bellary District Table Tennis Association.

The results (finals): Boys: Abinav Prasanna bt K.B. Prathamesh Kumar 11-13, 11-7, 11-8, 6-11, 11-7; **girls:** Irene Anna Subhash bt Yuktha Harsha 11-8, 17-15, 12-10.

State tennis team for National Games

Prajwal Dev and Sharmada Balu are among the players who will represent Karnataka in the National Games to be held in Gujarat next month. The team was announced by Shriranga Sudhakar, chairman of Karnataka State Lawn Tennis Association Selection Committee.

The teams: Women: Sharmada Balu, Soha Sadiq, Vidula Amar, Vanshita Pathania, Reshma Maruri; **reserves:** Pratibha Prasad Narayan, S. Srinidhi. **Men:** Prajwal Dev, Rishi Reddy, Adil Kalyanpur, G. Manish, Rashein Samuel; **reserves:** Suraj Prabodh, Tathagat Charantimath. **Captain (non-playing):** Peter Vijaykumar; **coach:** Kiran Nandakumar.

Narrow win for ASC & Center

ASC & Center FC beat Bangalore Dream United 3-2 in the C. Puttaiah Memorial football tournament.

The results: MEG & Centre 0 drew with Bangalore Eagles FC 0; ASC & Center FC 3 (W. Singh 21, 88, Jasgandeep Singh 90) bt Bangalore Dream United 2 (Elvis Nongtdu 70, 76).

RACING

Falcon Edge could come up trumps again

HYDERABAD: The four-year-old colt Falcon Edge, who won in his last start, may score an encore in the Royal Revive Plate, the main event of Saturday's (Aug. 13) races here.

1 GADWAL PLATE (1,200m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III), 2.05 p.m.: 1. Bellagio (5) R.S. Jodha 60, 2. Unmatched (2) Deepak Singh 58.5, 3. Blue Brigade (9) Mohit Singh 57.5, 4. Exclusive Spark (7) Md. Ismail 56.5, 5. Mysterious Angel (4) Ajeeth Kumar 55, 6. Fatuma (6) P. Gaddam 53, 7. Lightning Fairy (3) Khurshad Alam 53, 8. Coming Home (10) Ishwar Singh 51.5, 9. Sopranos (8) Akshay Kumar 52.5 and 10. Baisa (1) P. Vikram 50.5.

1. BELLAGIO, 2. MYSTERIOUS ANGEL, 3. SOPRANOS

2 PALAMPET CUP (1,600m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III), 2.40: 1. Superstellar (4) Akshay Kumar 60, 2. Explosive (1) Kuldeep Singh 58.5, 3. Winning Streak (7) Afroz Khan 58, 4. Team Player (3) R.S. Jodha 55.5, 5. New Hustle (5) B. Nikhil 54, 6. Royal Support (6) P. Vikram 53 and 7. First In Line (2) Ajeeth Kumar 52.5.

1. SUPERSTELLAR, 2. EXPLOSIVE, 3. WINNING STREAK

3 RAZIA SULTANA PLATE (1,200m), (Terms) Maiden, 3-y-o only, 3.15: 1. Canterbury (10) B. Nikhil 56, 2. Deccan Ranger (11) Akshay Kumar 56, 3. Dr Dee Dee (2) Suraj Narredu 56, 4. Good Day (1) Aneel 56, 5. Jack Daniel (14) Nakhat Singh 56, 6. Protocol (6) Abhay Singh 56, 7. Sergeant Reckless (5) D.S. Deora 56, 8. Soorya Vahan (7) Md. Ismail 56, 9. Alina (9) Ajeeth Kumar 54.5, 10. Alpine Girl (12) Kiran Naidu 54.5, 11. Avancia (4) A.A. Vikrant 54.5, 12. Black Opal (3) P. Gaddam 54.5, 13. Sound Echo (8) Kuldeep Singh 54.5 and 14. Sweet Talk (13) P. Sai Kumar 54.5.

1. DR DEE DEE, 2. PROTOCOL, 3. JACK DANIEL

4 NAWAB KHAJA MOINUDDIN KHAN MEMORIAL CUP (1,400m), 5-y-o & upward, rated 40 to 65, 3.50: 1. Staridar (2) P. Sai Kumar 60, 2. Super Angel (7) Akshay Kumar 59.5, 3. Strategist (5) Santosh Raj 57.5, 4. Mark My Day (8) Nakhat Singh 56.5, 5. DRD (6) Ajeeth Kumar 56, 6. Makhtoob (9) Kuldeep Singh 56, 7. Bhamasha (12) P. Vikram 55, 8. Four One Four (11) Aneel 55, 9. Rhythm Selection (1) Rafique Sk. 52, 10. Royal Grace (3) Afroz Khan 52, 11. Top In Class (10) Md. Ismail 51 and 12. Star Racer (4) B.R. Kumar 50.5.

1. DRD, 2. STRATEGIST, 3. SUPER ANGEL

5 ROYAL REVIVE PLATE (1,400m), rated 60 to 85 (Cat. III), 4.25: 1. New Look (10) R.S. Jodha 60, 2. Falcon Edge (7) Akshay Kumar 55.5, 3. Xfinity (6) Ajeeth Kumar 55, 4. House Of Diamonds (1) Rafique Sk. 54, 5. Trump Star (9) A.A. Vikrant 54, 6. Peaky Blinders (4) Abhay Singh 53, 7. Chuckit (3) D.S. Deora 52.5, 8. Mirana (2) Kuldeep Singh 52.5, 9. Red Snaper (5) Afroz Khan 52.5 and 10. Stunning Force (8) Md. Ismail 52.5.

1. FALCON EDGE, 2. NEW LOOK, 3. CHUCKIT

6 ROYAL WINDSOR PLATE (1,400m), 5-y-o & upward, rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III), 5.00: 1. Linewiler (8) Mukesh Kumar 60, 2. Sun Dancer (3) Akshay Kumar 60, 3. Melting Ice (2) R.S. Jodha 56.5, 4. Royal Pal (4) Nakhat Singh 56.5, 5. Dillon (9) Ajeeth Kumar 55.5, 6. Grand Finale (6) A.A. Vikrant 55.5, 7. Prime Gardenia (5) B. Nikhil 54.5, 8. Flamingo Fame (1) Santosh Raj 54, 9. Theo's Choice (7) Suraj Narredu 53.5 and 10. Queen Blossom (10) Abhay Singh 51.

1. THEO'S CHOICE, 2. SUN DANCER, 3. DILLON

Day's Best: FALCON EDGE

Jackpot: 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Mini Jackpot: 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Treble: (i) 1, 2 & 3, (ii) 4, 5 & 6.

Tanala: All races.

Pissarro takes honours in Governor's Cup

BENGALURU: S. Attaollahi-trained Pissarro (Trevor up), won the Governor's Cup, the chief event of the races held here on Friday (Aug. 12). The winner is owned by Five Stars Shipping Co. Pvt. Ltd. rep by. Mr. K.N. Dhunjibhoy & Mr. Z.K. Dhunjibhoy & Mr. Rama Seshu Eyunni. Attaollahi won four races in a row on the day.

THE RESULTS:

1. FAREWELL PLATE (1,400m), rated 00 to 25, 5-y-o & over: **TYTO ALBA** (J.H. Arul) 1, Bramastram (Nazerul) 2, Eco Friendly (Sai Kumar) 3 and Regal Force (Hasib A) 4. 6-1/4, Nose and 3. 1m, 28.48s. ₹67 (w), 25, 20 and 14 (p), SHP: 48, THP: 64, FP: 208, Q: 130, Trinella: 901 and 147, Exacta: 49,674 and 10,644. Favourite: Eco Friendly. Owner: Mr. S.N. Harish. Trainer: Narayana Gowda.

2. INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY CUP (1,400m), maiden 3-y-o only, (Terms): **KALAMITSI** (Srinath) 1, Tignanello (P.S. Chouhan) 2, Aldgate (Trevor) 3 and Monteverdi (Akshay K) 4. 2-1/2, 3/4 and Hd. 1m, 27.59s. ₹55 (w), 17, 19 and 10 (p), SHP: 43, THP: 72, FP: 1,023, Q: 157, Trinella: 833 and 193, Exacta: 1,075 and 397. Favourite: Aldgate. Owners. M/S. Deciding Factor LLP, Mr. Hemang D. Doctor, Dr. S.P. Sardeshmukh & Mr. Solomon Benveniste and Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

3. OWN OPINION TROPHY (1,400m), rated 40 to 65: **MOON'S BLESSING** (Akshay K) 1, Imperial Power (Suraj) 2, Ombudsman (S. Saqlain) 3 and Kensington (S. John) 4. 2-1/2, 5-3/4 and Nk. 1m, 26.50s. ₹30 (w), 12, 13 and 81 (p), SHP: 43, THP: 144, FP: 66, Q: 22, Trinella: 2,029 and 290, Exacta: 5,267 and 1,090. Favourite: Imperial Power. Owner: Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

4. COL. DESRAJ URS CUP (1,400m), rated 60 to 85: **PRINCE ABIR** (Shreyas S) 1, Caracas (Akshay K) 2, Watchmystars (P.S. Chouhan) 3 and Promise Kept (Trevor) 4. Not run: Whizzo. Snk, 3/4 and 1-1/2. 1m, 26.45s. ₹70 (w), 26 and 14 (p), SHP: 28, THP: 31, FP: 165, Q: 69, Trinella: 564 and 276, Exacta: 1,278 and 564. Favourite: Caracas. Owners: M/s. DT Racing & Breeding LLP & Mr. Mukul A. Sonawala. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

5. GOVERNOR'S CUP (2,400m), 4-y-o & over, (Terms): **PISSARRO** (Trevor) 1, Truly Epic (Akshay K) 2, Giant Star (Yash) 3 and Lake Tahoe (P.S. Chouhan) 4. 2-1/4, 7 and 6-1/4. 2m, 32.93s. ₹31 (w), 14 and 22 (p), SHP: 37, THP: 31, FP: 179, Q: 99, Trinella: 402 and 111, Exacta: 399 and 138. Favourite: Lake Tahoe. Owners: Five Stars Shipping Co. Pvt. Ltd. rep by. Mr. K.N. Dhunjibhoy & Mr. Z.K. Dhunjibhoy & Mr. Rama Seshu Eyunni. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

6. HARANGI STAKES (DIV. II), (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 5-y-o & over: **OSIRIS** (Arvind K) 1, Golden Time (G. Vivek) 2, Black Whizz (J.H. Arul) 3 and Elite Agent (Kirtish B) 4. Not run: Air Blast and Skyfire. Lnk, 3 and 1-1/4. 1m, 15.06s. ₹28 (w), 15, 14 and 33 (p), SHP: 34, THP: 65, FP: 175, Q: 48, Trinella: 1,282 and 431, Exacta: 5,992 and 2,996. Favourite: Golden Time. Owners: Mr. M. Lakshminarayana, Mr. M. Venkatarama & Mr. R.N. Vijaya Kumar. Trainer: Sharat Kumar.

7. LESTER PIGGOTT STAKES (1,400m), rated 20 to 45: **INYOUWEBELIEVE** (Trevor) 1, Je Ne Sais Quoi (Kirtish B) 2, Montelena (P.S. Chouhan) 3 and Kings Speech (B. Nayak) 4. 4-1/2, 1-1/4 and 4-1/2. 1m, 27.11s. ₹27 (w), 14, 17 and 16 (p), SHP: 62, THP: 51, FP: 137, Q: 87, Trinella: 506 and 157, Exacta: 21,678 and 27,872. Favourite: Inyouwebelieve. Owners: Mr. Rajan Aggarwal & Mr. Gautam Aggarwal. Trainer: Prasanna Kumar.

8. HARANGI STAKES (DIV. I), (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 5-y-o & over: **STRIKING MEMORY** (G. Vivek) 1, Dr Logan (P.S. Chouhan) 2, Mr Humble (P. Surya) 3 and Stunning Beauty (Sai Kumar) 4. Lnk, 1/2 and Lnk. 1m, 15.25s. ₹53 (w), 24, 43 and 92 (p), SHP: 103, THP: 226, FP: 1,358, Q: 580, Trinella: 18,055 and 42,130 (carried over), Exacta: 81,504. Favourite: Baltimore. Owner: Mr. H.K. Lakshman Gowda. Trainer: V. Lokanath.

Jackpot: ₹91,747 (carried over).

Runner-up: 9,830 (four tkts.).

Treble (i): 1,052 (seven tkts.); (ii): 464 (36 tkts.).

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Tender invited through e-procurement portal from agencies for the work of **Design, supply, retrofitting, testing & commissioning of 320DA, Breakers & 3200A bus duct with Numerical protection Relay for Unit # 1 & 2 AHP Dry system** from reputed firms/ organisations/ contractors. Last date for receipt of tenders: **07.09.2022 upto 16.30 Hrs.** For more details please visit website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (OLA)E**, KPCL, RTPS, Shaktinagar - 584170, Raichur Dist. Mobile: 94495 96537. e-mail: eeolaertpskpcl@karnataka.gov.in

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Last date and time for tender queries / clarification	:	13.08.2022 (Saturday) till 16.00 Hrs.
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Date & Time for opening of Financial Bid	:	19.08.2022 (Friday) at 16.00 Hrs.

Tenderers need to register with e-procurement portal of Govt. of Karnataka B'lore. **For details of registration please contact ph. No: 080-46010000.** For more details please contact 0836-2444438 during office hours. Bidders are requested to get updated with the corrigendum/addendum (if any) issued online at the following link in the entire tender process. www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Estate Officer

DIPR/DWD/448/2022-23/DESHPANDEPUBLICITY

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Government of Karnataka
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Office of the Executive Engineer, Mandya Division, Mandya
ID : eepwdmandya@gmail.com / eemnd@kpwd.gov.in

No. E.E. PWD.Mandya, Dn./AE-3/2022-2023/ dated 12-08-2022

Subject : Construction/Improvements to road work - Postponement

Reference : 1. This Office Tender Notification No. 01/2022- 2023 dated : 28-06-2022
2. Our office postponement-1 dated : 25-07-2022

With reference to the above Notification No. 01/2022-2023 dated : 28-06-2022 due to delay of obtaining approval for DTS, Tender has been postponed. Pre-bid Meeting only for KW-4, Works will be held on 01-09-2022 (More than 100.00 Lakhs only) at 11.00 am in the office of the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Mandya.

Last date of Submission of Tender on 23-08-2022 at 4.30 pm (Sl.No. 1 & 2) and Last date of submission of Tender on 05-09-2022 at 4.30 pm (Sl. No. 3 & 4).

Henceforth, any changes in the schedule / contents will not be published through newspapers and further changes will be updated only in e-procurement portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P.W.D. Mandya Division, Mandya

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1998SGC025521)

No.:908/BGKT/Tr(W&M)/SEE/EE|O|AEE|-2/F-53/2955-65 Date: 11.08.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION (e-Procurement mode only)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited invites Tenders for the following works on **Partial Turnkey Basis".**

1.Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL//2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT 9374/CALL-2 This office is inviting bids on Electronic mode for "Providing additional 1x10MVA, 110/11kV Power Transformer along with switchgears at **110kV Halaki sub-station** in Mudhol taluk, Bagalkot district.

2.Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL//2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT 9375/CALL-2 This office is inviting bids on Electronic mode for "Providing additional 1x10MVA, 110/11kV Power Transformer along with switchgears at **110kV Hebballi sub-station** in Badami taluk, Bagalkot district.

3.Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL//2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT 9376/CALL-2 This office is inviting bids on Electronic mode for "Providing additional 1X10MVA, 110/11kV Power Transformer along with switchgears at **110kV Inchageri sub-station** in Indi taluk, Vijayapura district.

4.Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL//2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT 9377/CALL-2 This office is inviting bids on Electronic mode for "Providing additional 1X10MVA, 110/11kV Power Transformer along with 11kV Switchgear at **110kV Rodagi sub-station** in Indi taluk & Vijayapur district.

5.Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL//2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT 9378/CALL-2 This office is inviting bids on Electronic mode for "Providing additional 1x10MVA, 110/11kV Power Transformer along with switchgears at **110kV Ukkali sub-station** in Basavana Bagewadi taluk, Vijayapura district.

The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the e-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink **"e-Procurement-KPTCL"** or directly logging on to website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **16.08.2022 at 12.00 pm.**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Elecl.)
Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL,
Sector No.45, Navanagara, Bagalakote-587103

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ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08384-226338 ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್: www.sirsicity.mrc.gov.in
ಇ-ಮೇಲ್: comm_srs@yahoo.com
ನಂ. ಪಪ/ಕಾ/ಟೆ/15ನೇ ಹ/21-22/14ನೇ ಹಣ / SFC SPL/ಟೆ/ನಿ-/2022-23 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.08.2022

ಟೆಂಡರ್ / ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಖಾಸಗಿ ಪಾಲುದಾರಿಕೆ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1999 ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿ-2000 ರಂತೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅರ್ಹ ಸಿವಿಲ್/ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಯಂತೆ KW-1/KW-2/KW-3 ರ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳನ್ವಯ, ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ 09 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ E-GOK ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ರಜಿಸ್ಟ್ರೇಷನ್ ಮಾಡಿಸಿದ ಅರ್ಹ ಸಿವಿಲ್/ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ (1) DMA/2022-23/WS/WORK_INDENT135423 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 33.80 ಲಕ್ಷ). (2) DMA/2022-23/WS/WORK_INDENT135419 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 2.15 ಲಕ್ಷ). (3) DMA/2022-23/WT/WORK_INDENT135251 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 10.56 ಲಕ್ಷ). (4) DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_ INDENT 135191 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 47.00 ಲಕ್ಷ). (5) DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_ INDENT135088 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 10.00 ಲಕ್ಷ). (6) DMA/2022-23/OW/ WORK_INDENT135087 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 10.00 ಲಕ್ಷ). (7) DMA/2022-23/EL/WORK_INDENT134049 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 19.00 ಲಕ್ಷ). ಮತ್ತು (8) DMA/2022-23/EL/WORK_INDENT 134047 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 9.00 ಲಕ್ಷ). (9) DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_ INDENT134012 (ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ **ರೂ. 90.00 ಲಕ್ಷ**). ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ E-GOK ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ರಜಿಸ್ಟ್ರೇಷನ್ ಮಾಡಿಸಿದ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೋಡ್ ಕರಯಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ನಿಯಮಗಳ ಮತ್ತು ಟೆಂಡರು ಕರಾರುಗಳ ಅನ್ವಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರ್ಮ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವುದು, ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡುವುದು ಮತ್ತು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು.

(1) ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **29.08.2022 (ಸಂಜೆ 16.30 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ)** (2) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ / ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **30.08.2022 (ಸಂಜೆ 17.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ)** (ರಜಾ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ದೇರೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ ತಿಳಸಲಾಗುವುದು)

ಟೆಂಡರನಲ್ಲಿಯ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚುಗಳ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು E-GOK ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

DIPR\ADK\MCA\308\22-23 dt.11.08.2022 ಸಹಿ/- ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು, ನಗರಸಭೆ, ಶಿರಸಿ.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby notified that, Sri. Chikka Nanjappa S/o. Late Nanjappa, aged about 73 years, residing at No. 656, 7th Cross, Nanjappa Layout, Arekere, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560076, has offered to sell the schedule property to my client representing that he is the absolute owner and in lawful possession of the same having clear marketable title to convey the same to my client who acting on such representations is desirous to purchase the schedule property for valuable consideration. Negotiations are in process.

As part of due diligence, my client is advised to issue this Public Notice to notify all the general public about the sale of the schedule property and to enable my client to ascertain if any persons, financial institutions, agreement holders, GPA holders, Body Corporate or otherwise are/is claiming any interest whatsoever, in the schedule property or opposing the sale of schedule property whatsoever shall register his/her/its/their claims, if any, with supporting documents to the undersigned WITHIN **TEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice for scrutiny and consideration. Any claims received thereafter would not be considered and my client will proceed and complete the sale with the above land owners treating that there are no objections or claims and that the objections/claims if any are deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of land measuring 5 Acre in Old Sy No. 10 Re-Sy No. 46/2, situated at Sonnanayakanapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, Bengaluru - 562106 and bounded on the **East by:** Land in Sy No. 44 belongs to M/s. Nylo Films Pvt. Ltd. & Sy No. 38 belongs to M/s. Bhavani Polymers Pvt Ltd, **West by:** Land in Sy No. 46/3 belongs to Sri. Madevappa, **North by:** Suragajakanahalli Border & Gomala Land and **South by:** Land in Sy No. 54 belongs to M/s. Bhavani Polymers Pvt .Ltd.

Prakash T Hebbar, B.A. LLM., Advocate
Hebbar Law Firm,
No. SF-17, 2ndFloor, Hameed Shah Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bengaluru – 560 002. Mob. No. 9743633501 & 080-22248485

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Public Works Department
Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi

No/PWD/CKD DIV/AE-3/TENDER/2022-23/2742 DATE: 10/08/2022

Short Term E-Tender Notification

Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi has invited item wise short term e-Tenders from Eligible registered contractors for the works coming under the jurisdiction of Chikodi PWD Division 1 work under head of account 4059-Judicial building, Amount put to tender is Rs. 2715.77 Lakhs.

Calendar of events :1)Pre-bid meeting date: 24-08-2022 at 11.00 AM, at The O/o the under signed. 2)Last date for queries & clarifications : 26-08-2022 up to 5.30 PM, 3)Last Date of Receipt of Bids : 30-08-2022 up to 5.00 PM, 4)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System): 01-09-2022 at 4.30 PM, 5)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System): "after approval of Technical bids"

For more information & forms of tender can be downloaded from www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in & departmental web site www.kpwd.gov.in. Further details can be collected from O/o Executive Engineer Public Works Dept.,Division Chikkodi during working hours.

Sd/-Executive Engineer
PWD Division Chikkodi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-732/MCA/2022-23

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1998SGC025521)

No. SEE/TR(M)/RMGC/EE|O|AEE-2/F-56/38/22-23/2123-26 Date : 11-08-2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT MODE ONLY)

KPTCL invites bids against the Enquiry No.: **KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/RMGC/EE(O)/AEE-2/Strengthening & Heightening of lines/EPR-338/CALL-2 Dtd : 10.08.2022** in Combined Package for following works:

1) Providing intermediate tower for increasing Vertical Clearance of existing 66kV Nelamangala - Alur - Peenya SC line passing over premises of Government Anganavadi, Jyothi Nagar by replacing existing tower with 2 nos of 110kV NB Towers of KPTCL Design in TLM Sub-Division under TL&SS Division, Nelamangala on **Total Turnkey Basis.**

2) Providing intermediate tower for Increasing Vertical Clearance of existing 66kV Nelamangala - Dabaspet DC line passing over premises of Government Primary School, Lohith Nagar by replacing existing towers with 2 nos of 66kV NB DC+6 Towers of KPTCL Design in TLM Sub-Division, under TL&SS Division, Nelamangala coming under the jurisdiction of Ramanagara Circle Total Project cost amounting to **Rs. 48,67,501/-**

The Detailed Notification regarding the subject enquiry in the E-Procurement Portal process can obtained by logging into KPTCL webiste **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyper Link 'e-procurement - KPTCL' or to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **16:00 Hrs. 13.08.2022.**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele),
Transmission (M), Ramanagara Circle, 220/66/11 KV
Vrushabhavati Valley Station, Mysuru Road, Bengaluru - 39

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DISTRICT URBAN DEVELOPMENT CELL
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,BELAGAVI DISTRICT, BELAGAVI
Telephone no:0831-2407279 E-Mail:dudc_bgm@yahoo.co.in

No: BGM/DUDC/5/CR-25/2021-22 Dated:12-08-2022

Tender Notification

The Deputy Commissioner, Belagavi District, Belagavi invites tender in two cover system using KW-4 Documents for Belagavi District Chief Minister Amrut Nagarothana (Municipality) Phase-4 Project works as detailed below:- **(Rs. in Lakhs)**

Sl. No	Description of works	Amount Put to Tender (Excluding GST)	Earnest Money Deposit
1	Improvement of Drain Works in Town Municipal Council Athani limits. (Tender No.DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT132551/Call-2)	170.83	2.56
2	Improvement of Road and Drain Works in Town Municipal Council Bailhongal limits. (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT132204/Call-2)	217.84	3.27
3	Improvement of Road Works in Town Municipal Council Ramdurg limits. (Tender No.DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT132224/Call-2)	328.89	4.93
4	Construction of Drain Works in Town Municipal Council Ramdurg limits. (Tender No.DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT132553/Call-2)	152.72	2.29
5	Construction of UGD and Other Works in Town Municipal Council Ghataprabha limits. (Tender No.DMA/2022-23/ OW/WORK_INDENT132635/Call-2)	102.86	1.54
6	Improvement of Road and Drain Works in Town Panchayat Ankalgi-Akkatangerhal limits.(Tender No.DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT132218/Call-2)	169.32	2.54
7	Improvement of Road and Drain Works in Town Panchayat Boragaon limits. (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT132232/Call-2)	200.94	3.01
8	Improvement of Road and Drain Works in Town Panchayat Naganur limits. (Tender No.DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT132226/Call-2)	168.78	2.53

Contractors can download and submit the tenders through e-Procurement portal at www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows:

1	Period of Construction	09 Months (Excluding Mansoon)
2	Last Date for submission of tenders	12-09-2022 up to 17.00 hrs.
3	Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids)	13-09-2022 at 17.01 hrs.

Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only through e-Procurement portal and will not be published in newspapers.

Sd/-EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Distirct Urban Development Cell, Belagavi

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Special Land Acquisition Officer-2, No. 14/3, 1st Floor, Aravindha Bhavana Building, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru-560001.

No.: KIADB/LAQ/(K-RIDE)/2022-23/269 Date: 01.08.2022

PUBLIC NOTICE
(Under section 28(2) of KIAD Act 1966)

It is hereby given publication for the information of the public that the KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD, Bengaluru has proposed to acquire the following scheduled properties for the purpose of Corridor-2 of **Karnataka Rail Infrastructure Development Company Limited (K-RIDE).** The Preliminary Notification Under Section 1(3), 3(1) & 28(1) in this behalf is issued vide Notification No: CI **185** SPQ (E) **2022** Bangalore dated:**27-07-2022** by the Government of Karnataka and the same has already been published in the Karnataka Gazette dated: 28-07-2022

All the absolute owners and interested persons in the Scheduled properties specified below shall file their OBJECTIONS IF ANY to the undersigned, Notice u/s 28(2) of KIAD Act, has already been served to the notified Khatedar/Anubhavdar, interested persons. As some of the property owners refused to receive the notice and address of some of the Khatedars are not available, notices could not be served. Hence, this notice is published in the Newspapers to provide opportunity to them.

Any contracts for the disposal of the said lands by Sale, Mortgage, Assignment, Exchange or otherwise or any improvement made therein without prior permission of the competent authority, after the date of publication of this notification under the provisions of KIAD Act 1966 will be disregarded while assessing compensation for such parts of the said lands as may be finally acquired.

The map of the area comprised therein and the notification specifying the lands which is proposed to be acquired may be verified in the Office of the Special Land Acquisition Officer, KIADB, (K-RIDE), Bengaluru during the office hours on all working days. Enquiry is fixed **on 02-09-2022 at 11.30 AM** in the Office of the Special Land Acquisition Officer-2, K.I.A.D.B. **Karnataka Rail Infrastructure Development Company Limited (K-RIDE),** No. 14/3, 1st Floor, Aravinda Bhavana Building, Bengaluru. Interested persons are hereby requested to be present with relevant documents. Failing which, it will be considered that there is no objection from your side and further action will be taken in accordance with law.

Schedule

Sl No	I.D. No	Property Owner	L.A/CT Sy.No	BBMP PID/ e-Khatha No.	Area acquired (sq.Mtr)
		Enquiry Date: 02-09-2022 Time: 11.30 a.m			
		Village : Kadugondanahalli Hobli: Kasaba Taluk: Bengaluru North			
1	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/01	Fharuk Pasha S/o Syed Usman	79	79/1	37.37
2	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/02	Mohamad Phairoj S/o Bashir Ahamad	79	379/01-A/79	8.79
3	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/03	Smt. Mubeena Thaj W/o Mukthar Ahamad	79	20/79	40.68
4	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/04	Pharuk Pasha S/o Syed Usman	79	79/21	39.58
5	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/05	Shek Janab Ala Syed Usman S/o S.Mohidin (Masidi Trust)	79	79/33&34	45.71
6	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/06	Smt. Najeema W/o Jakir	79	79/35	17.05
7	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/07	Amarin Thaj W/o Syed Imran Ghouse	79	368/79/36	15.86
8	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/08	Syed Akram S/o Late Syed Amanulla	79	Sale deed	10.58
9	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/09	Farjanabanu Syed W/o Nayaz Ahamad	79	142/2	11.58
10	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/10	1. Syed Ujaipha S/o Late Syed Areef Pasha 2. Smt. Ayesha.M. D/o M.Iliyas Bhasha	79	2/142	15.58
11	C2/R/6/5-6/KDH/11	Rasthe	79	-	47.69
		Village : Mathikere Hobli: Kasaba Taluk: Bengaluru North			
12	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/01	N.Santhosh Kumar & Pilla Muniswamappa	City Survey No. 298	Survey No. 22, 23 & 24 1st Main Poornapura	226.63
13	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/02	A.Venkatesh S/o Annamalai	City Survey No.298	4-102-10/1	2.70
14	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/03	Yesu das S.A	City Survey No.298	G.P.A	8.00
15	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/04	Shri Paramashivan S/o Late Marimuttu	298/18	Property No. 26	16.73
16	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/05	Smt. Sudha W/o D Selvamani	298/17	4-165-12	26.20
17	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/06	Smt. M.Sharada W/o Ram	City Survey No.298	24	30.37
18	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/07	B.L.Gajendra S/o B.S.Lakshmanappa	298/14	Survey No. 24	67.38
19	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/08	D.Shankar S/o G.V.Damodaram	City Survey No.298	4-102-39	24.05
20	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/09	Sahayanathan S/o Late S.Anthoni	City Survey No.298	24	21.50
21	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/10	Murugamma W/o Shri. Govinda raju	City Survey No.298	G.P.A	6.05
22	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/11	Smt. Metha W/o Lurdanathan	City Survey No.298	Survey No.24 Absolute Sale deed	7.21
23	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/12	Shri. Cheluva Raja S/o Late Ramachandra	City Survey No.298	Survey No.24	8.16
24	C2/R/14/5-8/Mathikere/13	Anni Veelangani Avee Meriya trust	City Survey No.298	Khatha No. 24	3.36
		Village : Yashawanthapura Hobli: Yashawanthapura Taluk: Bengaluru North			
25	C2/R/16/4/YPR/01	Rajesh Kumar & Vinod Kumar	116	2-164-2	0.68
26	C2/R/16/4/YPR/02	Shankar Reddy S/o N. Narasareddy	116	2-165-35	0.74
27	C2/R/16/4/YPR/03	B.L.Venugopal	116	2-201-18	9.28
28	C2/R/16/4/YPR/04	Gopamma @ Geetha W/o H.Narayan Swamy	116	2-165-8	19.02
29	C2/R/16/4-5/YPR/01	Dr. Balachandar S/o Chembanna Thodakar	110/2	2-201-10	49.66
30	C2/R/16/4-5/YPR/02	B.L.Venugopal S/o B.Lakshmaiah	110/2	2-201-19	509.92
31	C2/R/16/5-6/YPR/01	G.Kannan S/o V.Govindan	109	002-239-003	63.15
32	C2/R/16/5-6/YPR/02	M/ Steward Association in India (Church Building)	109	2-201-23	93.29
33	C2/R/16/5-6/YPR/03	Pillanjanappa S/o late Hanumappa	109	2-201-2	326.24
34	C2/R/16/5-6/YPR/04	Smt. Shalini S. D/o S.M.Shrinivas	109	Register No. 1105-2017-18	37.97
35	C2/R/16/5-6/YPR/05	Rasthe			197.27
		Village : Hebbala Hobli: Kasaba Taluk: Bengaluru North			
36	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/12	Anjanamma W/o Abbayappa	121/1	RTC	51.03
37	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/13	H.M.Shamaiah H.M.Venkataramanappa H.M.Krishnappa H.M.Gopal S/o K.Muniyappa	121/2	RTC	39.84
38	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/14	H.S.Ramu	120/1	BBMP Khatha No. 121/2	13.56
39	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/15	Muniraju.M.	120/5	123/ 120/1	2.23
		Village : Hebbala (City Survey No.567 & SY.No.122/3) Hobli: Kasaba Taluk: Bengaluru North			
40	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/01	Shri.Vaseem mohamad Shri. S/o Nisar Ahamad	C.T.S. No. 567	243	50.16
41	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/02	Smt. Murugamma W/o Shri. P.Madhu	C.T.S. No. 567	243	50.16
42	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/03	C.Krishnappa S/o Late Chikkamuniyappa	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	103.40
43	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/04	C.Shrinivas S/o Chikkamuniyappa	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	104.11
44	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/05	C.Ramesh S/o Chikkamuniyappa	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	103.68
45	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/06	Smt. Yashodamma W/o Chikkabairappa	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	77.36
46	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/07	C.Vijayamma W/o Basavaraju	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	82.87
47	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/08	C.Kantamma W/o Munishankar	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	68.08
48	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/09	Smt. Vasantha W/o Late Subramani, Sri Gagan and Smt, Pooja	C.T.S. No. 567	17th City Civil & Setion Judge Bangalore Order No. F.D.P.No. 83/2018(O.S. 5051/2016	62.96
49	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/10	Raste	C.T.S. No 567	-	34.00
50	C2/R/10/0-1/Hebbala/11	Vibeesh Farekh S/o Late Vinod Kumar	C.T.S. No 558 Old Survey No 122/3	BBMP Khata No. 122/3A	537.05

Sd/- Special Land Acquisition Officer-2, K.I.A.D.B., (K.R.I.D.E.,) Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru-560001.
DIPR/DD-C.P/1796/MCA/2022-23

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, my client DIVYA.B.V D/o Late R.V. Vasanth #81/9/04, 12th Main Road, Shivanagar Bangalore-560010. has Lost Property's Original Sale Deed Documents No/ Identification No 1st Book 364/84-85. Rajajinagar Sub-Register Office. above Documents was Lost on 12.10.2021 at Basaveshwaranagar While Travelling. My client has lodged online police complaint vide Lost Report No. 0290281/2022, dated 10/08/2022, any Person Find This Documents Please Contact above my client Address or Call: 9620390168.

C. SHIVAKUMAR. Advocate
#330, 4th Corss, R.R. Layout
Challaghatta, Kengeri Hobli,
Bangalore-560074. Mob: 9535866481

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No. Y/E.29/2022-23/09
Dated: 08.08.2022

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders for the following work:

Name of Work	Appx. Cost
Mysuru Division: Supply and Provision of Lifts at Tiptur-02 Nos. & Subrahmanya Road-02 Nos. - Electrical Power Supply Arrangements.	Rs. 12,53,669/-

Last date for submission of bids:
Up to 11:00 hrs. of 01.09.2022

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer
Mysuru

PUB/2022/AUG/PRB/SWR/2022-23
S.W.Railways SWRRLY SWRRLY

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಯಾದಗಿರಿ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರಿ
GSTIN: 29BLR002252F1DR

ಸಂ.ಕಾಇ/ಲೋಇ/ಯಾವಿ/ತಾಪ-I/ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ/2022-23/ 1933, ದಿನಾಂಕ 08.08.2022

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ -ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ.

I. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ವಿವರ : ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ, ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಯಾದಗಿರಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದಿಂದ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಬಿಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್ ಕೆಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ-4 ರಂತೆ ಈ ವಿಭಾಗ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುವ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ 5054 ರಾಜ್ಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆ (ಆಪರೇಷನ್ಸ್-ಇ) ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ **e-procurement** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸುರಪುರ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ 06 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ವರ್ಕ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: (1) 154669, (2) 154670, (3) 154671, (4) 154672, (5) 154673 ಮತ್ತು (6) 154674. 2. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ.495.00 ಲಕ್ಷ ಹಾಗೂ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ500.00 ಲಕ್ಷ 3. ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ ವಿವರ 2ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು (ನಿಯಮಾನುಸಾರ) 4. ಟೆಂಡರ ಅರ್ಜಿಯ ಬೆಲೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಇ.ಎಮ್.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತದ ವಿವರ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಬೆಲೆ **e-procurement** ನಂಕೆ, ಇ.ಎಮ್.ಡಿ. ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ5,98,800.00 ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ 6,04,900.00 5. ಪ್ರೀ-ಬಿಡ್ ಮಿಟಿಂಗ್ ದಿನಾಂಕ 16.08.2022 (11.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ) 6. ಟೆಂಡರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟೀಕರಣ ಕೋರುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ 18.08.2022 (17.30 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ) 7. ಟೆಂಡರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23.08.2022 (16.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ) 8. ಟೆಂಡರ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 25.08.2022 (11.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ) 9. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 29.08.2022 (11.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ) 10. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಿಭಾಗ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ ಕಚೇರಿ II. ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲ ತಾಣದ ವಿಳಾಸ www.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in

ಸಹಿ/-
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಿಭಾಗ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ

ಜಾ.ಸಾ.ಸಂ.ಇ/ಯಾದಗಿರಿ/202/ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಎ/2022-23

North Western Karnataka Road Transport Corporation
Civil Engineering Department, Central Office, Hubballi

No/NWKT/EE/HBL/DB(T)/488/2022-23 Date : 12/08/2022

Short Term Tender Notification No-8 & 9 / 2022-23 (2nd Call)
(Through GOK e-procurement platform https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in)

Item rate tenders are invited through **GOK e-procurement platform** as per **KTPP/ Standard Tender Documents**for the following works from appropriate class of Registered Class – 1 Civil Contractors in KPWD/CPWD/MES as per the schedule given below. Eligible contractors can participate in the tender by confirming the other details as published in website https:/ /www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in on the date of release in e-proc for the following works. Last Date of submission of Tenders : **22-08-2022,** Time:16.00 Hrs

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Amount put to tender(Rs. In lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)	Type of Tender	Time Limit (Excluding Monsoon)
1	Concreting parking area at New Bus Station Bhatkal. (08/2022-23) 2nd call	**89=50**	**1,79,000/-**	Two cover	06 Months
2	Construction of road side Bus shelters near Govt Hospital side, Gangibhavi cross, Taluka Sports ground at Hulgur road, Rachinkatte Pond at Hulgur road, Jekinkatte cross near P B road and Inspection Bungalow cross at municipal zone of Shigganvi Town. (09/2022-23) 2nd call	**37=20**	**74,400/-**	Single cover	04 Months

For further details visit https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in for any "HELP" regarding uploading of Tender Documents, please call on help desk -+91-8046010000, +91-8022631200, +91-8068948777 of all working hours. Bidders can contact this office for further details in all working hours or Call 0836-2332383. **Any changes in Tender Notification, Corrigendum/Addendum will be published in e-Procurement portal only, separate paper notification will not be issued.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
NWKRTC C.E. Department, Central Office, Hubballi

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD Bangalore Division,
2nd Floor, PWD Annexure Building, K.R.Circle, Bangalore-560001
Telephone No.080-22133370 Email ID: eepwdngdn@yahoo.com
E-Portal: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

CORRIGENDUM NOTIFICATION NO.11-01/2022-23
DATED: 11.08.2022

With reference to this office Tender Notification No.11/ 2022-23 Dated: 27.06.2022 Corrigendum is issued with the Calendar of events as mentioned below. **1).** Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka from Dated 12.08.2022 onwards. **2).** Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal **on or before 16.00 hours on dated 12.09.2022. 3).** The opening of tenders through e-procurement portal on dated **13.09.2022 at 16.30 hours** or further date and time will be intimated.

Note: All other conditions of tender notification remain unaltered. For more details contact this office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
PWD, Bangalore Division, Bangalore

DIPR/CP/Advt/1782/2022-23

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ಇವರ ಕಛೇರಿ.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಲೋ.ಇ.ಬಾಗಲಿವಿಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ:2022-23/01879 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 11-08-2022

-: ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ :-

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅದ್ಯಾದೇಶ 1999-2000ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಆಕ್ಟ 2000ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟಾಂಡರ್ಡ ಬಿಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ ಕೆ/ಡಬ್ಲೂ-1,2,3,4 ನಿಯಮದನ್ವಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿರುವಕಈ ಕೆಳಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ವರ್ಕ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ:ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ: **154826, 154825, 154824, 147937, 149959, 154645, 154646, 154644, 154827, 154832, 154833, 151706, 153344, 153345, 154178, 153131, 147930, 152274, 154984, 154985, 155231, 155226, 150293 Call-4, 148686 Call-2, 148689 Call-2**

ಈ ಎಲ್ಲ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ **500.00** ಲಕ್ಷ ಹಾಗೂ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.**25.00** ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ ವರೆಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅ) ಪ್ರೀಬಿಡ್ ಮಿಟಿಂಗ್ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	22-08-2022 ರಂದು ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 11-30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ಬ) ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಾಗಿ ನಿಗಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	25-08-2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 5-30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ಕ) ಟೆಂಡರ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	26-08-2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4-00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ಡ) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	29-08-2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ಬ) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	30-08-2022. ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ವಿವರವಾದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ ವಿಳಾಸ http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ.

ಜಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ/ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ/344/2022-23/ಟೆಂಡರಾಂಡಿಪ್ಲೇಟ್

Karnataka Forest Development Corporation Limited,
Shivamogga Division, Shivamogga.
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of The Divisional Manager, Shivamogga Division,
Shivamogga Near R.T.O. Office, Shivamogga – 577201
E-mail: dmkfdcsmg@gmail.com Ph.: 08182-222122
No.: K.F.D.C.L./DM/Sh/S-5/C&T/22-23/497 Date: 06.08.2022

Short-Term "e"-Tender Notice

Short-Term e-Tender is invited from interested, registered Forest Contractors for the work of cutting Nilgiri/Acaia Trees from the various plantations of this Division and transporting the soft wood got from this of approx. 10838 M. Ton to various soft wood based industries. Last date and time for submission of Short-Term "e"- Tender: 17.08.2022 up to 5.30 PM

Date and time of opening Short-Term "e"- Tender: 19.08.2022 at 3.00 PM

For further information visit 'e' portal website https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or contact Phone No. of this office: (08182) 222122 or contact the above address during office hours.

Sd/- Divisional Manager,
Shivamogga Divison, Shivamogga.

DIPR/smg/No.65/08/mca/22-23/762

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e-Procurement Cell
JHARKHAND STATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION LTD., RANCHI

Short Term e-Procurement Notice

Date : 12/08/2022

Sl. No	Tender Reference No.	Work Name	Amount in (Rs)	Completion Time
1	JSBCCL/85/2022-23	Construction of 250 Capacity Multipurpose Auditorium at Ashram Model Residential School under Lohardaga and Gumla District	Rs.3,30,57,448 / -	09 Months
2	JSBCCL/86/2022-23	Construction of 250 Capacity Multipurpose Auditorium at Ashram Model Residential School under Pakur, Jamtara, District	Rs. 3,30,57,448/-	09 Months
3	JSBCCL/87/2022-23	Construction of 250 Capacity Multipurpose Auditorium at Ashram Model Residential School under Saraikela, East Singhbhum and West Singhbhum District	Rs. 4,95,86,172/ -	09 Months
4	JSBCCL/88/2022-23	Construction of 250 Capacity Multipurpose Auditorium at Ashram Model Residential School under Chatra and Giridih District	Rs. 3,30,57,448/-	09 Months
5	JSBCCL/89/2022-23	Construction of 250 Capacity Multipurpose Auditorium at Ashram Model Residential School under Chatra, Ramgarh, Bokaro, Hazaribagh and Giridih District	Rs. 8,26,43,620/ -	10 Months
6	JSBCCL/90/2022-23	Construction of 250 Capacity Multipurpose Auditorium at Ashram Model Residential School under Garhwa, Palamu and Latehar District	Rs. 4,95,86,172/-	09 Months
7	JSBCCL/9I2022-23	Preservation and Development of Lugabura and Other Tribal Historic and Pilgrimage sites at Bokaro District.	Rs. 8,08,50,000/-	12 Months

8	Date of Publication of Tender on Website	24.08.2022 at 11:00 AM
9	Start Date of Submission of Bids	24.08.2022 at 11:00 AM
10	Last Date/Time of Submission of Bids	14.09.2022 at 05:00 PM
11	Last Date/Time of Submission of Bid Security Money and Tender Fee	16.09.2022 upto 11:30 AM
12	Date/Time of opening of Bid	16.09.2022 at 12:00 PM
13	Name & Address of office Inviting tender	e-Procurement Cell, Jharkhand State Building Construction Corporation Ltd., Ranchi.
14	Helpline Number of e-procurement Cell	0651-2446259
14	e-mail ID	jsbcceljharkhand@gmail.com

Any change can be seen on Website ***http:// Jharkhandtenders.gov.in.***
Any other information can be seen on http:// Jharkhandtenders.gov.in

Sd/-
Nodal Officer e-Procurement Cell
Jharkhand State Building Construction Corporation Ltd., Ranchi

PR 275587(Jharkhand State Building Construction Corp. ltd.)22-23*D

Government of Karnataka
(URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT)
District Urban Development Cell, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Chamarajanagar District, Chamarajanagar
Email : dudochamarajanagar@gmail.com Ph. No : 08226-223761

No. DUDC/CMSMTDP-4/CR/218/2021-22 Date : 12-08-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION Call-2
(Through e-Procurement portal only)

The Executive Engineer, District Urban Development Cell, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Chamarajanagar District, Chamarajanagar invites e-procurement short term tender from eligible contractors under KW-4 document under Chief Minister's Amruth Nagarothana Phase-4 Project. Work details as follows. Name of Work : Construction of Roads, Drains & Development of Parks in Yelandur TP limits (DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT132036/Call-2) Estimate Cost : 145.51 Lakhs, EMD Amount : 2.20 lakhs Period of Completion : 06 Months. Last date for submission of bids is : 29-08-2022 5.00 P.M. Pre bid Meeting Venue & date : 19-08-2022 at 11.00 A.M. (Room No. 127, DUDC, DC Office, Chamarajanagar), Date of opening of tenders technical bids: 30-08-2022 at 5.00 P.M. & Date of opening of Financial bids : Informed to technically qualified Contractors, Interested contractors shall register on the e-procurement platform to participate in this tender. Contractors can download the tender documents from e-procurement platform (www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in). Tenders shall be submitted electronically at **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** EMD and tender processing fees shall also be paid electronically for further details go through tender document or contact Office of the Project Director, District Urban Development Cell, DC Office, Chamarajanagar during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
District Urban Development Cell,
Chamarajanagar

DIPR : CHANAGAR:247:2022-23

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, SWD, South Zone, BBMP, 9th Floor, Jayanagara Shopping Complex, 4th Block, Jayanagara, Bengaluru - 560011.

No: EE/SWD/SOUTH/TEND/04/2022-23 Date: 12-08-2022

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)-(SHORT TERM) (CALL-2)
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (SWD), South Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered in BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Government Organizations for the Construction of works detailed below.

(Standard Tender Document - KW-4)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Amount Put to Tender (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Construction / Remodelling of Primary, Secondary Drains, Culverts / Bridges and all allied Works of SWD Spread Out at Ward No. 165 in Padmanabhanagara Assembly Constituency in Vrishubhavathi Valley under 2022-23 GOK grants-Pkg-07 **(Action plan numbers 163, 173, 174, 175, 176) - CALL-2.**	**1498.45**	**15.00 Lakhs (Rs. 1.00 Lakh** through e-Procurement and **Rs. 14.00 Lakhs** in the form of BG)

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Documents can be downloaded from the GOK e-Procurement Portal Website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in 2)** Date of Pre-Bid Meeting on **23-08-2022 at 15.00 Hrs. 3)** Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: **26-08-2022 upto 16.00 Hrs. 4)** Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bid: **29-08-2022, 16.30 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, SWD (South Zone), BBMP.

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ
(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಉದ್ಯಮ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಕನೀನಿನಿ ಮ.ಎ.ಕಾ.ನಿ
ವಿಭಾಗ ನಂ.3, ಬಾದಾಮಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ: ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ
Fax and Phone No.08357-220057 E-mail ID : eemlb3bdm@gmail.com

No.KNNL/MLB-3/PB/BTN/Cholachagudd Barrage/2022-23/ 613 Dated: 10-8-2022

ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ – ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ
(ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ದ್ವಿಲಕೋಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ: 1) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ No.KNNL/MLB-3/PB/BTN/ Cholachagudd Barrage/2022-23/ **502** Dated: 01-07-2022
2)ಈ ಕಛೇರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ No.KNNL/MLB-3/PB/BTN/ Cholachagudd Barrage/2022-23/ **515** Dated: 18-7-2022

ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿದವರಿಂದ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖಿತ ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕರೆಯಲಾದ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳಿಗೆ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಅ. ಸಂ.	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಹೆಸರು	ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
1	Construction of Left Bank abutment, NOF & Body wall (from ch.0+42.67 m to Ch.0+116.54 m length under Construction of Bridge-cum-Barrage across Malaprabha river on down stream of existing Cholachagudda Barrage in Badami taluka, Bagalkot district (Package-1) WI._33567	465.00	4.64 Lakhs
2	Construction of Right Bank abutment, NOF & Body wall (from ch.0+116.54 m to Ch.0+190 m length under Construction of Bridge-cum-Barrage across Malaprabha river on down stream of existing Cholachagudda Barrage in Badami taluka, Bagalkot district (Package-2) WI._33568	469.00	4.69 Lakhs

1) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ನೀಡಿ ದರ್ಜೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿರಬೇಕು.
2) ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲನಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ **24-8-2022** ರಂದು ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ **4-00** ಗಂಟೆ ರವರೆಗೆ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ ಡಾಕುಮೆಂಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನಲೋಡ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು. 3) ಪ್ರ ಬಿಡ್ ಸಭೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ **17-8-2022** ಸ್ಥಳ: ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಕನೀನಿನಿ ಮ.ಎ.ಕಾ.ನಿ.ಘಟಕ ವಿಭಾಗ ಸಂ.3, ಬಾದಾಮಿ. 4) ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳಿಗೆ/ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟೀಕರಣಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **20-8-2022** ರಂದು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ 5) ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನಲೋಡ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಹಾಗೂ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **24-8-2022** ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ **4-00** ಗಂಟೆ ವರೆಗೆ.
6) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ
1) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ : **25-8-2022** ರಂದು ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ **4-00** ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ
2) ಮೂಲ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **26-8-2022** ರಿಂದ **30-8-2022** ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ
3) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ : **03-9-2022** ರಂದು ಮುಂಜಾನೆ **11.00** ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ
ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ/ಟೆಂಡರ ನಿಯಮಗಳು/ಟೆಂಡರಪ್ರೊಸೆಸ್ಸಿಂಗ ಕುರಿತ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು ಅಥವಾ **ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂ.08357-220057 ಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.** ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣ ನೀಡದೆ ತಿರಸ್ಕರಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರವನ್ನು ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿದವರು ಹೊಂದಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:**08357-220057** ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- (ಎಂ.ಎಸ್.ಬಿಸನಾಳ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರು,
ಕನೀನಿನಿ.ಮ.ಎ.ಕಾ.ನಿ.ವಿಭಾಗ ಸಂ.3,ಬಾದಾಮಿ.

ಜಾ.ಕಾ.ಇ/ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ/341/2022-23/ಟೆಂಡರಾಂಡಿಪ್ಲೇಟ್

ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ-ಹರಿಹರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ.ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸು ಬಡಾವಣೆ, 'ಎ' ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, ಪಿ.ಬಿ.ರಸ್ತೆ ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ-577006.

ನಂ:ದಾಹನಪ್ರಾ:ಜೆಹೆಚ್ಪ:ಬಿನಿ:ಇ-ಹರಾಜುಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ -01:2022-23 /1061 ದಿನಾಂಕ:30.07.2022

ಇ-ಹರಾಜು - ವಸತಿ ಮಧ್ಯಂತರ ಬಿಡಿ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಮೂಲೆ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳ ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(1) ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ತೆರೆಯುವ ಹಾಗೂ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಆರಂಭಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30-07-2022 ಭಾರತೀಯ ಕಾಲಮಾನ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ (2) ಇ-ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಲ್ಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 16-08-2022 ಭಾರತೀಯ ಕಾಲಮಾನ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ (3) ಇ-ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18-08-2022 ಭಾರತೀಯ ಕಾಲಮಾನ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ (4) ಇ-ಹರಾಜನ್ನು ಮುಕ್ತಾಯಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 25-08-2022 ಭಾರತೀಯ ಕಾಲಮಾನ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.00/16.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ.

ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ-ಹರಿಹರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸಲಾಗಿರುವ ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ.ಹೆಚ್.ಪಟೇಲ್ ಬಡಾವಣೆಯ ವಸತಿ ಮಧ್ಯಂತರ ಬಿಡಿ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳ ವಿವರ

ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ನಿವೇಶನ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ನಿವೇಶನದ ಅಳತೆ ಮೀಟರ್‌ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ "ಬಿ" ಬ್ಲಾಕ್	ನಿವೇಶನದ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಚ.ಮೀಟರ್‌ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ	ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಬೆಲೆ (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
01	1136	6 x 13.2+13/2	78.60	14,73,750.00
02	1159	9 x 16.3+15.80/2	144.45	27,08,437.50
03	1160	9 x 16.3+16.50/2	147.60	27,67,500.00
04	1162	6 x9	54.00	10,12,500.00
05	1175	6x9	54.00	10,12,500.00
06	1342	9 x 12.50	112.50	21,09,375.00
07	1343	9 x 13.50+12.50/2	117.00	21,93,750.00
08	1344	9 x 14.50+13.50/2	117.00	21,93,750.00
09	1361	6x9	54.00	10,12,500.00
10	1385	6x9	54.00	10,12,500.00
		"ಎ" ಬ್ಲಾಕ್		
11	539	11.50+12.0/2 x 24	282.00	52,87,500.00
12	1426	15x24	360.00	67,50,000.00
13	1502	9x15	135.00	25,31,250.00
14	1535/1	9x15	135.00	25,31,250.00
15	1538	9x15	135.00	25,31,250.00
16	1539	9 x 15